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Palmgren Brothers One-Two At Reading Half-Mile

The Side Winders and Sand Blasters combined efforts to hold a Dual European Scrambles over two separate courses near Ridgecrest Sunday. J.N. Roberts and Mike Patrick took double wins in both races, J.N. in 500cc-Open class, and Mike in the 250cc class. Left: Larry Palmgren led a triple win by Triumph at the Reading Half-Mile National.

TRIUMPH SWEEPS READING NATIONAL

By Boyd Reynolds

READING, PA., May 25, 1969 – Larry Palmgren led a one-two-three Triumph victory at the 1/2 mile dirt track National at Reading, Pennsylvania.

Chuck Palmgren was aboard another Triumph as was Gary Nixon to complete the Triumph sweep.

The showstopper of the day was the performance turned in by Dave Aldana in the Amateur Main.

Aldana sped off the line to put 50 yards of paydirt between himself and the rest of the pack before the fourth turn.

He was broadsliding feet up while looking over his shoulder at Charley Chapple, the second place finisher.

The young Californian had the crowd in his hip pocket as they cheered him on to victory. On his victory lap, he received a standing ovation. Triumph mounted Terry Stokes tucked into third.

(Results on page 17)

NEWSPAPER

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ATTENTION Motorcycle Clubs — Be sure to send Cycle News notice of your coming events and we will list them in this department free.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Readers are advised that listing in this calendar is a free Service. Cycle News disclaims any responsibility for cancellation or changing of events by promoters without notice.

Regularly Scheduled Events

ATTENTION
Promoters interested in advertising their events in this column.
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National Advertising Director
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EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT
SPEEDWAY RACING, Saugus Speedway, Saugus, Calif. Racing starts 8:30 p.m. See ad this issue.

½ MILE FLAT TRACK, Ascot Park, Gardena, Calif. Racing starts 8:15 p.m. See ad this issue.

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT
TT RACING, Elsinore Race Track, Gates open 3 p.m., races start 7:30 p.m., Off Hwy. 71 in Elsinore, Calif.

SPEEDWAY RACING, Whiteman Stadium, Pacoima, Calif. Racing starts 8:30 p.m. See ad this issue.

FIRST SAT. OF EVERY MO.
PROFESSIONAL TT RACES, Ascot Park, Gardena, Calif. Racing starts 8:15 p.m. See ad this issue.

FRIDAY, MAY 30th

MEMORIAL DAY TT RACES, $900 purse, at Oregon Sidewinders M.C. track in Clackamas, Oregon, south of Portland. 8 p.m. Info: Dennis/Diane Seifert, Rt. 3, Box 290 C, Oregon City, Oregon 97045. 632-3857 (after 7 p.m.) or 234-7388 days.

1st ANNUAL MOTOCROSS RACE. AMA sanc. at the Santa Maria Speedway. Camping available $1.50 to ride or watch. Live TV coverage, new track, pract. 10 a.m. race at noon. Refreshments available, sponsored by Lompoc Slo-Pokes M.C.

HARE SCRAMBLES, by San Berdoo Valley M.C. Two 35-mile loops, limed on Hwy. 395 6 mi. N. of Adelanto. 10 a.m. start. AMA Point Run.

35th ANNUAL MEMORIAL TT Championship at Graham Speedway, Tacoma, Wash. Tacoma MC. $900 min. purse. Novice practice and qualifying 10 a.m., expert and amateur practice and qualifying Noon.

SPORT RIDING, Open practice. Huntington Beach Cycle Park, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. $1.50 per rider.

MOTOCROSS, Bay Mare Ranch, limed from Moorpark offramp, Ventura Fwy., 1000 Oaks, Cal. Shamrocks point event. Overnight camping. Info: (213) 348-3349.

SPORTSMAN SCRAMBLES, Hall Ranch, Uvas Dam, Cal., by Eastside MC Inc. and Gilroy Elks. AMA, prac. 9:30-11, races noon. Cerebral Palsy benefit.

SATURDAY, MAY 31st

TT SCRAMBLES, Josephine County Fairgrounds, Grants Pass, Ore. By Rogue Valley Riders M.C. Inc. AMA sanction, 7:30 p.m. Info: (503) 476-2180 or 476-4018.

SPORTSMAN SHORT TRACK, Chris Beck Arena, Santa Rosa, Cal. AMA. Signup and prac. 5:30 to 7 p.m., races 7:30. Info: Don Moore, (707) 546-6695.

SHORT TRACK RACES by Sacramento Tracker's M.C. at Sacramento Raceway, 3405 El Camino Ave., Sacramento, Cal. 95871, L. Lawton 489-0476. Prac. 6 p.m. Race 8 p.m.

OLD TIME HILLCLIMB, Bay Mare Ranch, $350 purse, sign in 10 a.m., starts Noon. Mini-Bikini race, free entry and trophies to all participants. Info: Dave, (213) 348-3349.

TT SCRAMBLES, Elsinore, Cal. by Jack Rabbits MC. Dist. 37 points. Big Bikes race at 6 p.m., Ultra-lightweights 8:30, Lightweights 11 p.m. Info: (213) 631-6733.

POKER RUN/HARE AND HOUND. Ballinger Canyon, Cal., by Ridge-Riders Trail Club Inc., 10 a.m., spark arresters a must. Info: 649-1960, Oakview, Cal.

SAT. & SUN., MAY 31, JUNE 1st

23rd ANNUAL GREENHORN ENDURO, 500 mile National AMA Champ. Start-finish Pearblossom, Cal. on Hwy. 138. First rider leaves Pearblossom 6:01 a.m. Saturday. Sunday only (250 mile enduro) first rider leaves Ridgecrest 6:01 a.m. Mail entry fee $8 both days; $5 Sun. only. Mail entries, on official blanks only, to: Greenhorn Committee, 817 Chelalem Rd., La Canada, Cal. 91011, by midnight, May 15. Post entries at start. Friday and Sat. Info: Pasadena MC, 21 E. Howard St., Pasadena, Cal.

BIG BEAR TWO DAY TRIALS, sanc. by SCTA, Limed from Standard station in Fawnskin. Starts 12 noon Sat. Checkers needed. Contact Dave Evans (213) 865-3991. Finisher pins.

FRI., SAT., SUN., May 30, 31, June 1st

2nd ANNUAL SHASTA-CASCADE WONDERLAND MOTORCYCLE TOUR at Caldwell Park, Redding, California. Sign in at Caldwell Park on North Market St. in Redding, Cal. Mail entry $3.50, post $4.50. Info: P.O. Box 792, Central Valley, Cal. 96019.

SUNDAY, JUNE 1st

TT SCRAMBLES, Bay Mare Ranch, first race 10 a.m., small bikes practice 9 a.m., big bikes practice Noon. Info: Dave, (213) 348-3349.

ROAD RACE, Grand Prix, Orange County International Raceway, Cal. Practice 10 a.m., racing at 1 p.m. AFM sanction.

C.M.C. MOTO-CROSS Spring Series at Saddleback Park, 2455 Orange, Orange Cty., Calif. Info: (714) 539-3328.

MOTOCROSS by Sprockets M.C., Witchita, Kansas. Benefit for Institute of Logopedics Boy Scout Troop. 1 p.m. at Cook Airfield. $250 rider purse.

TT SCRAMBLES, Sunny Valley Speedway, 14 mi. N. of Grants Pass, Ore. 1 p.m. Info: Ray Copeland, 420 Crestview Lp., Grants Pass, Ore. 97526. (503) 476-4018.

CROSS COUNTRY, by Hi-jinx F.M.C. 5th Annual Calico 100 at El Mirage dry lake. 0-125cc. 5 bikes make a class. Entry $3, riders meet 9:30, race at 10 a.m. Limed from Adelanto on Hwy. 395. Info: 868-0116.

1st ANNUAL HARBOR DAY TOUR, by Tri-City M.C. Starts from Boe's Cycle Mart, 1003 N. Hill St., Oceanside, Cal. AMA sanction, sign in 8-10 a.m. Info: (714) 722-4111 Ext. 4270.

EUROPEAN SCRAMBLES, by Desert Challengers MC, Deadman's Point, Apple Valley, Cal. 10 a.m., 3 classes, trophies. $3.50 entry.

CROSS-COUNTRY RACE, by Motoclub Latino of Mexicali, B.C. Noon start, trophies, 3 classes, San Felipe to Playa Blanca. Three 20-mile loops. Mail entries and $3 fee to Motoclub Latino, P.O. Box 304, Calexico, Cal. 92231. Info: PO 2-9317.

MOTOCROSS, by Sage Hoppers MC Inc., Encinitas, Cal. AMA, Experts and amateurs ride 10 a.m., nov. noon. Limed from Int. #5 and Encinitas Blvd. Info: Bob Gooding. (714) 753-2907.

ROAD RACE, ACA national points, Willow Springs Raceway, Rosamond, Cal. All classes, GP and prod. Pits open 8 a.m., first event Noon. Info: (714) 528-4290.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6th

TT RACES, $600 purse, AMA sanc. at Oregon Sidewinders M.C. track in Clackamas, Ore., S. of Portland. 8 p.m. Info: Dennis/Diane Seifert, Rt. 3, Box 290C, Oregon City, Ore., 97045. 632-3857 aft. 7 p.m. or 234-7388 days.

SATURDAY, JUNE 7th

SHORT TRACK RACES, Sacramento Raceway, by Fort Sutter M.C., 3405 El Camino Ave., Sacramento, Cal. 95871. Lawton 489-0476.

SPORTSMAN SCRAMBLES, AMA points, Oregon Sidewinders MC track in Clackamas, Ore. Five classes, 7 p.m. start. Info: Dennis/Diane Seifert, Rt. 3, Box 290C, Oregon City, Ore. 97045. 632-3857 aft. 7 p.m. or 234-7388 days.

MOTOCROSS, CMC at Fontana, Cal. Raceway, 7 p.m. San Berdoo Fwy. to Etiwanda, north to 136444 Foothill Blvd.

SAT. & SUN., JUNE 7 & 8th

14th ANNUAL HIGH SIERRA TOUR by Ace of Clubs M.C. Info: (213) 442-4791 or 332-1286.

SUNDAY, JUNE 8th

OCMC SCRAMBLES, Perris Valley Rec. Center, Cal. Small bikes signup 8 a.m., prac. 9, big bikes signup noon, prac. 1 p.m. AMA.

ENGLISH TRIALS, Oakhurst, Cal. 50 mi. N. of Fresno on Hwy. 41. Several classes, 10 observed sections, 8 mi. course through Sierra Natl. Forest. Spark arresters. Entry $3, 9 a.m. start.

A.C.A. MOTO-CROSS Semi-Final at Saddleback Park, 2455 Orange, Orange Cty., Calif. Info: (714) 639-5832.

WAYNE RAGLAND MEMORIAL HARE AND HOUND, by Antelope Ramblers MC. Limed from golf course, California City, Cal. 3-30 mile loops, Dist. 37 points. $4.50 entry, 10 a.m. start, jackets to winners.

MAX SWITZER BENEFIT SMOKE RUN, Las Vegas, Nev., by Ground Shakers MC. Limed from Railroad Pass, 9 a.m. start. Point run. Info: (702) 642-2621 after 6:30.

TUES. Through FRI., JUNE 10-13th

1969 BAJA 500, by NORRA, Ensenada, Baja, Cal. Purse: 40% entry fees received; entry fees; $250 before May 1, $350 after May 1. Contingencies.

FRIDAY, JUNE 13th

VIEWFINDERS TROPHY PRESENTATION, Warner Bros. Studios, Stage 1. Only Riders of race and guests will be admitted.

SATURDAY, JUNE 14th

SHORT TRACK, Sacramento National Raceway, by Sacramento Trackers M.C., sign ups and practice, 6-7:30 p.m., race 8 p.m.

TT RACES (Night), AMA, Castle Rock, Wash. Fairgrounds, Infor: Mt. St. Helens M.C., Box 51, Castle Rock, Wash. 98611.

GRASS TRACK SCRAMBLES, by Lightweights MC, Carlsbad Raceway, 7 a.m. signup, 8 a.m. start. Progressive program, 50cc-Open. Traction optional. $2 entry. Trophies. Info: (213) 425-5730.

SAT. & SUN., JUNE 14 and 15th

PRODUCTION ROAD RACE, Carlsbad, Cal. $1000 cash and merch. purse. Mail entries to Carlsbad Raceway, Box 26, Carlsbad, Cal. 92008. Start pos. determined by postmark. 0-200cc 200 miles Sat., 201-Open Sun. Pacific Coast Championship.

CARLSBAD-CYCLE NEWS CIRCUS, Two days of simultaneous action, road races described above plus Grasstrack TT and family trials, night drags, plus 1/8 mile drags for dirt bikes, Sunday's events in addition to the championship road race, Grand finale of CMC trip-to-England series, wheelie contest, plus more events to be announced. Use the discount coupon on page 27.

2nd ANNUAL HEMET TOUR by Terrapins M.C. Sign in and finish at Farmer's Fairgrounds, Hemet, Calif. Sign in from 8 p.m. Fri. June 13th, to 1 p.m. Sat. June 14th. Parade, best dressed competition, motorcycle judging, field events, etc. Mail and post entry. Info: (213) 835-0778; (714) 281-2150.

NATIONAL TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIP, Pan Amer. Racing Assoc. (FIM) at Wichita, Kansas. $15 entry, deadline June 1st. Info: Pan American Racing Assoc., (Trials Div), 5326 E. Harry St., Wichita, Kan. 67218.

SUNDAY, JUNE 15th

HARE SCRAMBLES, by 100's M.C., 2nd Annual 100 miles. Limed from California City, Cal. Dist. 37 points. Info: 332-8409 or 332-4959 after 5 p.m.

MINI-BIKE RACES Saddleback sanct. Saddleback Park, 2455 Orange, Orange Cty., Calif. Info: (714) 639-5832.

RIDING SCHOOL, S.C.T.A. Saddleback Park, 2455 Orange, Orange Cty., Calif. Info: (714) 639-5832.

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MOTO-CROSS, GOLDEN STATE Series C.M.C. points, Carlsbad, Calif. Info: C.M.C., P.O. Box 1334, Huntington Bch., Calif. 92647. (714) 539-3328.

HILLCLIMB, Hall Ranch, Cycle Hills, AMA, by Campbell M.C. Morgan Hill, prac. 9:30 a.m., 11:30 start. All classes plus unlimited exhibition climb.

TT SCRAMBLES, by Perris Valley MC, 1 mile sw of Perris by hwy. 74. AMA points, lightweights 9-2, heavies, 2 p.m. $2 entry.

ACA MOTOCROSS, Bay Mare Ranch, Cal., 100cc-Open Sportsman, and 125cc, 250cc, 500cc Senior. Piets open 8 a.m., first event 11:30 a.m. Info: (714) 528-4290.

SAT. & SUN., JUNE 21-22nd

SILVER CUP RUN by Silver Eagles.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22nd

2nd ANNUAL MOVIELAND MOTOR REVUE, antiques, classics, sports cars, customs, hot rods, dune buggies, and motorcycles. Universal City Studios, Universal City, Cal. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Info: A World On Wheels Inc., P.O. Box 361, Lynwood, Cal. 90262.

TT SCRAMBLES, Bay Mare track, by Scramblers M.C. Grand Prix TT, Dist. 37 point race. Info: (213) 363-9130 or 342-6737.

ACA MOTOCROSS, Saddleback Park, Orange, Cal., semi-final championship. All classes 100cc thru Open Sportsman and 125cc, 250cc, 500cc Senior. Pits open 8 a.m., first event 11:30 a.m. Info: (714) 528-4290.

HARE SCRAMBLES, '69 Desert Classic, by So. Cal. MC. Limed from Red Rock Canyon, Cal. Three 30 mile loops, trail bikes go two loops, 9 a.m. start. Trophies or merch. option to winners.

SAT. & SUN., JUNE 28 AND 29th

ACA 2nd ANNUAL 12-HOUR PROD. GRAND PRIX, Willow Springs Raceway, Rosamond, Cal., 6-hour Lightweight event on Sat., 12-hour Heavyweight event on Sun. Info and entry forms from ACA P.O. Box 247, Fullerton, Cal. 92632 or call (714) 528-4290.

NIGHT OWL RUN, San Diego, Cal., by S.D. Harley-Davidson. Sign in 12-4 p.m., Sat., 929 India St., first check point 929 India St., 1 a.m. Sun.

2nd ANNUAL HOPETOWN SCRAMBLES, by Dirt Diggers MC, Hopetown, Cal. Sat. 0-250cc, powder puff, 0-200cc starts at 8:30 a.m. 250cc start 1 p.m. Sun. 350-Open and sidehacks, 9 a.m. start. Dist. 37 points. Mail entries to DDMC, 19308 E. Aguiro St., Rowland Hts., Cal. 91745. Info: (213) 964-5076.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28th

TT RACES (Night), Castle Rock, Wash. Fairground. Info: Mt. St. Helens M.C., Box 51, Castle Rock, Wash. 98611.

SUNDAY, JUNE 29th

SCRAMBLES, Saddleback sanct. Saddleback Park, 2455 Orange, Orange, Cty., Calif. Info: (714) 639-5832.

S.C.T.A. RIDING SCHOOL Saddleback Park, 2455 Orange, Orange Cty., Calif. Info: (714) 639-5832.

EUROPEAN SCRAMBLES, by Spoke Benders MC Inc. 6 mi. E. of Hi-Vista Store, Cal. Two courses, Dist. 37 points.

AMA NATIONALS

May 31, 1969, Saturday

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VOICES OF THE WEST

RUSS WRITES AGAIN

Dear Mr. Clayton, May 19, 1969

It has been raining very hard here for the last week or so. If it keeps up like this, I am going to convert my caravan into an ark! Last Sunday the rain let up just in time for the race. Last Thursday the same thing happened. It rained all day and night before the race at Eke, here in Belgium. It quite just before practice and started again just after the last race. Yesterday, the 18th, at Kemmelberg the same thing occurred. It did rain some during the race but not enough to make it miserable.

I have really been getting a lot of practice in the mud. Every course I have ridden so far has had at least one bad section of mud somewhere in the circuit. I have even begun to enjoy it! In the States mud in a motocross was a terrible thing. A place where everyone had trouble. It is funny how you can adjust to things so easily.

RUSS DARNELL
Ghent, Belgium

RAMBLERS THANK THOSE WHO HELPED

The Antelope Ramblers M.C. would like to thank the Red Dots M.C., Rescue-3, Wes Anderson Sr. and Jr., Bob Eisenberg and the other riders who helped us in the search for one of our members, Wayne Ragland who met with a fatal accident on May 11th, 1969.

Wayne was doing what he enjoyed more than anything else, riding and competing in desert competition with the friends and riders he surrounded himself with every weekend.

We cannot say enough of Wayne, nor can we say enough to thank the friends and competitors who rush to help when a fellow rider is in need.

Thanks.

ANTELOPE RAMBLERS M.C.

WANTS TO KNOW

Altho considered to be at an advanced age for motorcycle riding, I recently (for the past three years) took up riding both as a means of transportation and as a pleasant way of spending a Saturday or Sunday afternoon in the company of others of like mind, traveling down an open road as a means of dusting out the cobwebs.

For this purpose, I would consult the Calendar of Events which you thoughtfully publish, with a view to finding a group, either for a Poker Run (over completed roads) or an outing for a picnic somewhere comparatively close by. There were usually listed enough such events to permit a choice, both as to time and geography.

With summer coming on, I have been looking at your Calendar once again. But, alas, unless my eyes deceive me, the only activities are hill climbs, enduros, flat track races and the like. I cannot seem to find any mention of road riding.

Questions; Do you publish these and am I missing them? Or has this been discontinued as an activity? If you do not publish them because of a lack of interest, is there some source which can supply me with this sort of information?

JULIAN KOOMER
N. Hollywood, Cal.

COMMENT: Road clubs are very secretive about their events, except the big ones like the Ace of Clubs High Sierra Tour June 7th & 8th. Local Harley-Davidson dealers have a calendar of road events available free for the asking, however.

TRIBER'S RECORD RUN

My sincere congratulations to Darrel Triber on establishing a new 3 flag record.

I do wish to point out an error in reporting previous records. It is quite true that Doug Woodward made the run in 1960 in the time of 32 hours; however he also followed this up in August 1961 on a Honda 305cc, sponsored by me, in the time of 23 hours and 58 minutes.

PAUL COLLINS
Bellflower, Cal.

BEWARE, STEVE NICHOLS

I have been racing now for four years, and feel competition motorcycle racing is one of best hobbies a kid can have. Not only have I taken a active part in

Floyd Lewis

racing but also have been a member of The Lightweights M.C. since the club began. In March of this year I joined the Air Force, and felt sad that I'd lost touch with this sport which I loved. Well since coming into the Air Force I've found out that it's a worse bummer than I excepted. Not only did I lose contact with racing but most of the outside world.

But God bless The Lightweights cause this is another time that the guys came through for me. They voted to send me a subscription to Cycle News and keep me up on the happenings. With this and letters I get from Steve Hoffe and my Uncle Floyd E. Lewis it's almost like being at home. The only thing missing is the Sunday trip to races and riding time, but be aware I'm coming home Aug. 18. I'm talking to YOU Steve Nichols!

So if you please Mr. Editor I'd like to use your paper to thank the club and all the racers in Dist. 37. And please keep those cards and letters rolling in.

AMN. FLOYD L. LEWIS
Dist. 37 No. 68x
Sheppard AFB, Texas

Survey

The Name's Sandy, Not Linda

Ascot's pretty trophy girl was incorrectly called Linda Marr on page 12 of last week's paper. The real name is Sandy Maher. Let us take you out to dinner to make it up to you, Sandy.

Unser Unloads

Indianapolis driver Al Unser broke his leg in a fall from his motorcycle while horsing around in the Indy parking lot with fellow driver Parnelli Jones. He'll have to miss the 500. It wouldn't have happened to Joe Leonard, we'll bet!

Knievel, Hacks, Trials & Hillclimbs added to Cycle Circus.

New attractions to compete for spectators' attention at the forthcoming Carlsbad/Cycle News Motorcycle Circus June 14 & 15 have just been announced.

Evel Knievel, "the King of Stuntmen" and soon to start in the movie of his life called "Color Me Lucky" will perform two jumps on Saturday and Sunday. It will be the first time the handsome young movie star will have done his thing in the San Diego area. Knievel will begin emoting before the cameras as filming on his movie begins.

At least six and possibly more sidecar racing outfits will put on a thrilling exhibition of 3-wheel speed and sliding around the Carlsbad roadrace course on

Evel Knievel will star in Paramount Motion picture which starts filming crowds, etc. at Cycle Circus.

Sunday, it was announced by the Sidehack Association.

The Southern California Trials Association will put on a family trials for all classes of participants – youngster, ladies, beginners and experts, with sections designed for all kinds of skills. The Trialsters will also stage a riding exhibition that is guaranteed to leave fans gasping. And Bob Grove, Trials Expert, is heavily favored to win the Wheelie Contest Sweepstakes, which will be decided by audience applause.

Seldom seen in Southern California, an Elimination Hillclimb will highlight Saturday's events. Staged by the Carlsbad crew, the "uphill drag race" will feature two-bike contests on a not-too-steep incline, for the added excitement of close competition.

The four attractions are only a part of the show, which includes two AFM production road race marathons for a $1,000 purse, a grass track TT program sponsored by the Lightweights M.C., car and bike drags (including 1/8 mile eliminations for knobby tire bikes), wheelie contests, and the grand final motocross of the CMC "Trip-to-England series."

Plan on bringing the whole family for two days and a night of fun. The discount ticket in this issue is good for a whole carload.

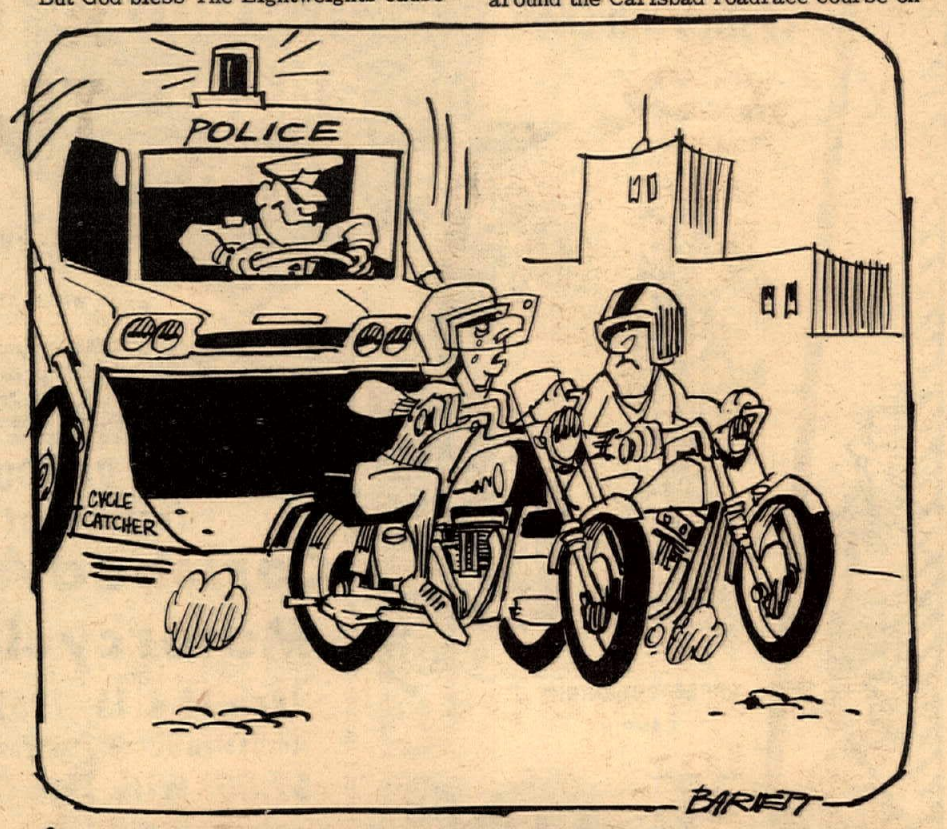
ROCKET 3 RECORD TRIALS ARE CERTIFIED BY AMA

The American Motorcycle Association has officially certified the following speed marks established April 3, 4, and 5 at the Daytona International Speedway (tri-oval track) and has entered them into the AMA records.

These records were set on a standard production model BSA Rocket 3 driven by Yvon Duhamel, licensed AMA professional racer.

The official speeds in the 5, 15, 20, 50, 100, 150, and 200 mile classifications were: 131.723, 131.004, 130.759, 130.605, 130.014, 127.625, 127.528, and 123.14, respectively.

A one hour average speed of 127.615 was also certified by AMA.



"DO YOU EVER GET THE FEELING THAT THE FUZZ IN THIS TOWN ARE DOWN ON CYCLES?"

Too Tired Aid City Of Hope

By Robert Fee

Thoroughly annoying their friends, neighbors and fellow workers, members of the Too Tired Motorcycle Club recently collected several thousand items of discards and held a yard sale. The proceeds were donated to the City of Hope National Medical Center at Duarte.

A week before the sale, the club met to sort and price the large collection of clothing, appliances, dishes, books, etc. Ads in the local paper and on a Pomona radio station assured a large community turn-out the following Sunday. Pricing everything low, the Too Tireds sold out collecting $201.

In past years it has been customary for the various RRC motorcycle clubs to make a donation to the City of Hope from the individual treasuries. The Too Tireds, however, were the only club to make such a donation at the 9th annual Spring Tour and have every reason to be proud of their accomplishment. They will be honored with a plaque in a new patio being constructed at the medical center.

Motorcycle Circus Shaping Up Into Really Big Show

Wherever you are June 14 and 15, be sure you are at Carlsbad Raceway in Southern California for the premier performance of the Carlsbad/Cycle News Motorcycle Circus.

The big two-day-and-one-night show will feature something for every taste of motorcycle fun.

Everywhere you look, there'll be motorcycle action going on. From the colorful Midway, to the Production Endurance Road Races, to the Grass Track TT, the Elimination Hillclimbs and Wheelie contests on Saturday, to the Bike Drag Races and car drags, 1/8 mile knobbie tire drags (with four bikes going off at a time) on Saturday night, to the 300 mile open class Road Races, Motocross series finale, Family Trials and Wheelie Sweepstakes on Sunday.

And it all costs only $4 for both days with the Cycle News Discount coupon in this issue.

Plan on coming early Saturday and camp free overnight on the beautiful Carlsbad Raceway grounds. Wander through the interesting competition accessories exhibits on the free Midway. Watch the action, and participate, if you wish, for a small entry fee.

It's a new idea in family entertainment, one you're sure to like.

FREE PRACTICE AT NEW SPEEDWAY

Historians should correct the results of the Cherry Creek Hare 'n' Hound last week to show 2nd overall and 250cc class winner Roger Hall riding a Kawasaki Green Streak 238cc, not a Husky as the club had it listed.

KAWA WON IT... NOT HUSKY

June 4th is open for practice and free spectator viewing at the new speedway on the Orange County Fairgrounds in Costa Mesa, Calif. Gates open 6 p.m. (Be sure and see Cycle News' big Speedway Special Issue next week).

Debbie Beats The Boys At Marysville

By Dale McKinnon

MARYSVILLE, Cal., May 17, 1969 – Forced to ride with the men because no other women showed up, Debbie Jackline won the 100cc semi and then passed Jerry Willis to take the Main event. Debbie, an expert, has a little more experience and a faster bike than the novices she was competing against in the Marysville TT.

The 200 class seems to be getting rougher all the time. All the knocking and spills used to be in the 250 class but the 200's seems to have taken over in that category. One rider went down at the start and a few fell during the race. The most spectacular spill occurred on the straightaway when two riders tangled and crashed.

Robert Kiefer and Randall Dunn diced for the lead with Kiefer making it to the finish first.

Ronnie Gonella took the lead in the 250 Amateur Main and went on to win. There was a tight go for second, third, and fourth spots until the ast turn. All three contestants went down.

The 250 Expert main saw Joe Henry take the lead in the second lap and go on for the win. Cliff Acksland and Stan Anderson fought a humdinger for second with Acksland ahead at the wire. Merril Beidlemann came close but couldn't put it all together.

Montie Gibson took a nasty spill last week and the 350 class had to get along without him. Jack Pine and Paul Donaldson were peg-to-peg until Donaldson pulled away for the win. Donaldson also won the wheelie contest to put frosting on the cake.

Cliff Acksland took the 650 Expert event and Bill Nurbank won the Amateur big bike bash. A hairy start had the fans on their feet as the machines got off to a perfect start and charged into the first turn together. Burbank grabbed the lead and rode in flawless style all the way. Dennis Dickerson bumped his way to second and held on to that spot.

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Gus Lauer Highsides At Cycleland

By Carolyn Richards

CHICO, CAL., May 17, 1969 – 56 riders participated Saturday, May 17, in the flattrack races at Cycle-Land Speedway.

Beginners races in the 200cc class had the same winner as the 200cc handicapped event. In that class Eddie Brown of Niles, riding a Bultaco, won the brass and a kiss from trophy girl Regina Richards of Oroville.

Second spot in the 200cc class went to Jim Hubbard of Chico, Yamaha rider, while third place was the prize of Dick Turner, Red Bluff Honda rider.

In the same class' scratch race, where riders with the biggest track handicaps go five laps from an even start, winner was Mike Rockwell of Oroville, riding a Yamaha.

The evening's biggest excitement was during the 250cc handicap main, the last of the 37 events, when Gus Lauer of Grass Valley hit a hole while taking the pack on the outside and went over the high side. He rolled into a ball which bounced at least five times, and was able to walk off the track.

Winner of the event was Rich Chambers, and Randy Scott was second. Chambers and Scott are both Chico residents and Yamaha riders. Riding from the 45-yard line at Cycle-Land, Mike Corcoran of Rio Linda, pushed his Yamaha into third spot.

Barry Hiatt, Chico, riding a Honda, took first place in the 250cc beginners main while Corcoran won the 250cc scratch race.

The 100cc class beginners race was won by Mike Rooney of Sacramento, who was almost one-half a lap ahead of the pack when his Moto-Beta crossed the finish line.

Del Silva, winner of the previous Saturday's beginners main, won the 100 cc scratch main while Charlie McGimsy, who won the handicapped main in the 100 class last week, managed only a second place this week.

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Canadian road racing fans saw two Honda Fours in the Harewood Acres races at Ontario last month. The new 750cc four made it's production racing debut and placed fourth. This Honda, called by Builder A. Georgeades, "Other Honda 4" was easily the wildest creation in the pits. A water-cooled Honda automobile engine was mounted in a special frame. Photo by Ed Cunningham.

Sunny Valley Action in the 200cc A Main saw Mike (200) Branam take a close win. Ken (69) Willingham, Don (45) Ganoung, and Rick (69q) Bliss battle for second. Photo by Don Henry.

Sunny Valley Hosts Second Race

SUNNY VALLEY SPEEDWAY, ORE., May 4 – Ninety-four riders vied for trophies at Sunny Valley's second race of the season.

Peter Simonson doubled up in the kid's class and took wins in the A Main and A Flat Track. Wayne Doyle took the Trophy Dash and a second in the A Main.

Battling in the 100 Class were Dwane Francisco, Wes Word, and Ed Nielsen with Francisco taking the Trophy Dash.

Mike Branam made another clean sweep on his Bultaco by taking both the Trophy Dash and A Main in the 200 class.

Steve Nason took the trophy in the 250 A Main on a Kawasaki, followed by Don Ginther, Ossa, and Dwane Francisco riding a Bultaco.

Dick Russell came out of retirement to take the A Main in the open class. Fritz Espy dogged him all the way on a 450 Honda but didn't get a chance to pass.

Dwane Francisco got back in the spotlight by winning the sweepstakes on a fast Zundapp.

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BUSHMASTERS HANG UP MOTOCROSS BOOTS

By Rich Walden

BEAUMONT, CAL., May 18, 1969 – The fire season was officially open but the grass was still green so the Forestry Dept. looked the other way while the Bushmasters threw their last Motocross of the season. These fun runs by the Bushmasters are growing bigger each time; this time, with two other Motocrosses and a Grand Prix running the same day, 116 riders competed in four classes on an entirely new 1-1/4 mile course. The Bushmasters change the course for each Motocross and this was the best of all.

Tommy Cook took the lead at the start of the first 100cc moto followed by Gary Little, Mike Brown and Don Watkins, Jr. Watkins moved up to third the next lap and the fourth lap he moved into second and went after Cook's Yamaha. Cook was having trouble handling his Yamaha (the next day he found his frame was broken) and couldn't stave off young Watkins' quick I.S.D.T. Sachs and gave away the lead in the sixth lap. Watkins then opened up his lead to win easily.

In the second Moto, Don Watkins was familiar with both the start and the course and took the lead immediately, followed closely by Brian King, Robert Fortier and Gary Little, all on Hodakas. Not one of the leaders changed position until the very last lap when Little got crossed up and Tommy Cook went by to finish fourth.

Norm Benham won the second 125cc Moto on a very fast Steen's Yamaha.

Ossa mounted Denny Groover leads Tom Muro's Husqvarna and Jim Wilson in the 250cc Moto.

In the last 100cc Moto Watkins took the lead from the start followed by Dale Walter, also on a Sachs, Robert Fortier and Gary Little. Little blew it in the second lap and Brian King and Frank Vallefuoco both picked off Walter. Cook had moved up from twelfth place to take the fifth position from Walter in the fourth lap and they finished like that.

Rich Walden took the lead in the first 125cc Moto on his Maico followed closely by Larry Roeseler and Norm Benham, both on Yamahas, and Walter Sharp, on a Sachs. Benham and Sharp both charged by young Roeseler and went after the leader. Halfway through the first lap Benham got the lead when the brake pedal broke off Walden's Maico and he went for a ride in the brush. In the second lap Sharp took the lead from Benham and Dirk Wambold and Larry Cook moved past Larry Roeseler. Hard charging Cook was running a stock Yamaha and was down several horsepower on the competition but made up for it in the turns and the rough areas, and by lap three he had moved up to third. The fifth lap Cook got by Benham's very fast Yamaha and went after Sharp but the two laps remaining weren't enough to catch the more powerful Sachs and Sharp took the win.

Benham was out to win the second moto and took the lead at the start followed by Larry Roeseler, Earl Roeseler and Larry Cook. It looked almost like a genuine European motocross when Benham went by in the lead wearing a real Martini sweatshirt. By the third lap Larry Cook had moved up to second followed by Walter Sharp, who had come all the way from eighth place. Benham had a really big lead and wasn't about to give it to anyone and took the win after eight laps.

Earl Roeseler took it easy in the first two motos but he went all out in the third and showed the others what it was all about, taking the lead from the start, he just ran away from Benham and Sharp until the sixth lap when he hit a bump so hard that his glasses came off and he had to get a spare pair to continue. Norm Benham now had the lead followed by Sharp and Cook. The points were close enough between these three that whoever took this moto would win the race. Benham let it all hang out for a lap then hung out too much and when he picked himself up Sharp and Cook had gone by. Cook gained rapidly on Sharp but not quickly enough and Sharp took the win.

Jim Wilson led from the start of the first 250cc Moto followed by Bruce Dunford, Don Grieve and John Bailey. Wilson never relinquished the lead and the race was for second place with Grieve passing Dunford in the fourth lap and Dunford regaining second the following lap. One lap later Grieve and Bailey both passed Dunford and held on until the finish.

In the second Moto Grieve's Yamaha was first from the start with Wilson, Bailey and Jimmy Thomas close behind. By the third lap Tom Muto had passed Thomas and was closing on Bailey. The fourth lap Wilson took the lead from Grieve and Muto grabbed third away from Bailey. Muto closed on Grieve in the remaining laps but was unable to pass and finished about three feet behind.

Once again Grieve took the lead at the start of the third Moto. Denny Groover was second with Tom Muto and Jim Wilson hard after him. It was the fourth lap before Wilson managed to pass Groover and Muto. The fifth lap Wilson took the lead and Muto passed Groover. The next lap Muto took second from Grieve and held it to the finish.

Jim Wilson took the lead in the first lap of the 500cc Moto on his Greeves with Gary Jones' BSA close behind. Butch Broman was third ahead of Milt Hayes and Ed Abbott. Lap two and Abbott moved into third. Then, in the third lap, Jones drove his Victor ahead of Wilson. Two laps later Wilson once again took the lead and went on for the win.

Gary Jones' BSA out-dragged the other machines at the start of the second Moto and he was never passed. Frank Castro was holding down second followed by Mike Stoner and Don Byron. Ed Abbott came from last place to take third in the fifth lap where he finished behind Jones and Castro.

In the last 250cc Moto Dave McCord was hauled off to the hospital with a broken foot and the start of the last 500cc moto was held up a few minutes until the ambulance returned. Again Jones took the lead at the start with Wilson and Don Ross right behind. The third lap Wilson took the lead from Jones and Abbott moved into third, where they remained until the end.

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Friant, Anderson Jr. Top May Ponderosa Action

By Jack Ross

LANCASTER, Cal., May 4, 1969 – Sands dampened from the previous night's rain provided fast dust free racing conditions for riders at the May 4, Hare Scrambles held by the Greyhounds M.C. at the Ponderosa Inn.

Bardahl oil presented contingency awards of oil to the first eight finishers in each class who displayed Bardahl decals on their equipment.

Open class entries totaled 126 riders eager to win the 63 trophies awarded to this class. Bill Friant of the Prospectors M.C. led wire to wire with an impressive lead over the field. Having trouble keeping his goggles clean, Bill rode the entire race without them. Bill then packed up his Husqvarna and drove the five miles over to the Smoke Bomb Gaetz race to enter and grab two first overall wins for the day. Steve Holladay on an MZ took second to be followed in by Art Dever's Husky and the Harley of Bog Ragdale.

Eighty-two Trail class riders lined up for their start immediately after the Open Class to race for 41 trophies and eight six-paks of Bardahl. Wes Anderson Jr. flew across the packed sands aboard Barry Eisenberg's potent Hodaka to finish first trailbike and third overall with the Open Class despite the handicap of the second trailbike start! Cordis Brooks of the Bardahl sponsored Brook's racing family brought his Hodaka in second ahead of April winner Monte Lee and Jim Sheeler.

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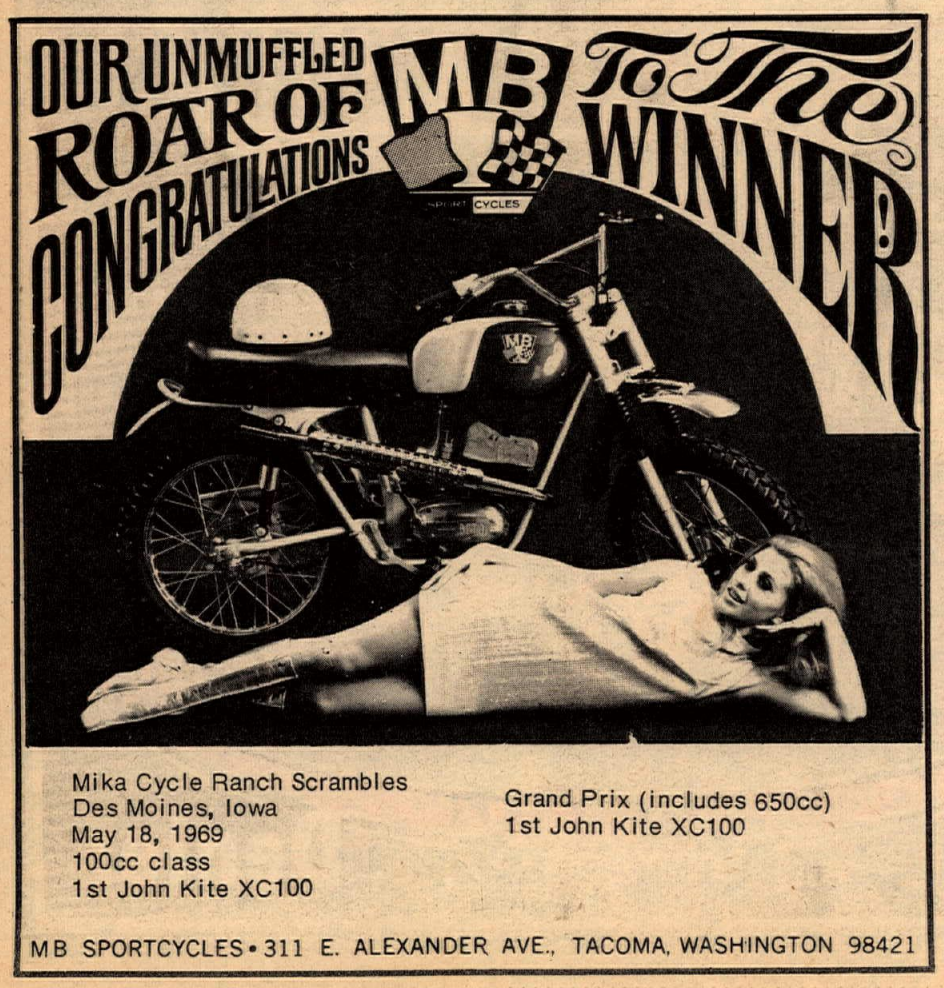

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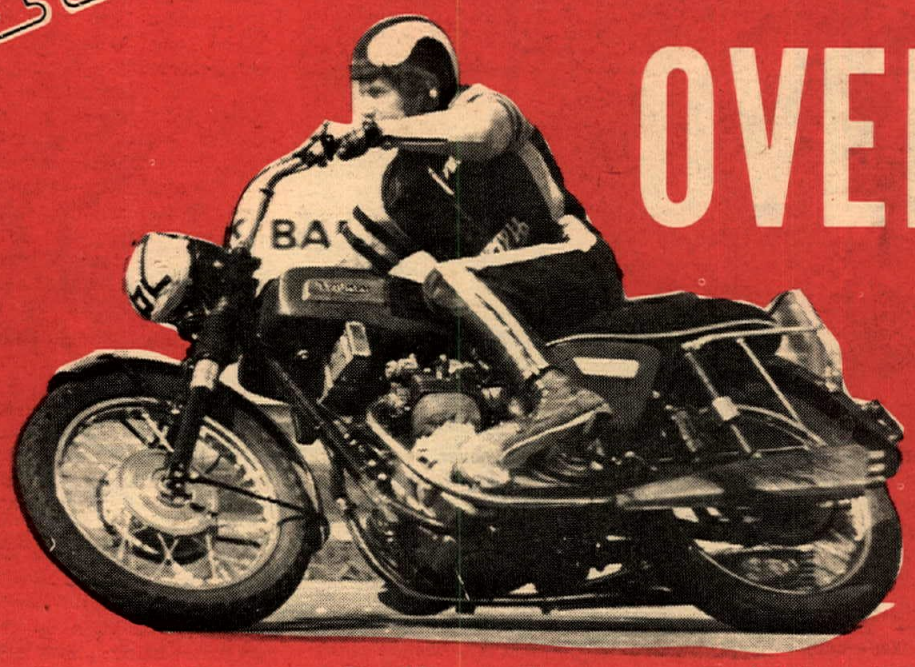

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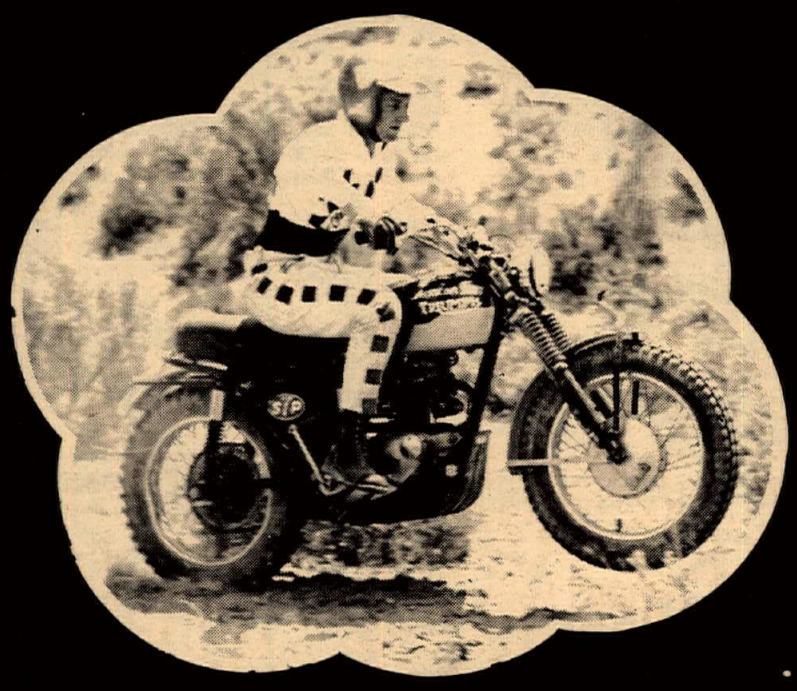

Tulare TT – 5/17/69
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SIDE WINDERS AND SAND BLASTERS HOST DUAL EUOROPEAN SCRAMBLES

By Dick Wright

RIDGECREST, CAL., May 25, 1969 – Desert riders and fans who made the trek to Ridgecrest were treated to an action-packed Sunday. Handling seemed to be the winner's test on the two rough, tight courses.

Jack Morgan, in the 100cc Sidewinders event, used a long sandwash to good advantage to take the win on a Hodaka. H-D mounted Wes Anderson Jr. was second and Jeff Wright, on another Hodaka, placed third.

Six weeks of rest didn't hurt J.N. Roberts. He took both events in the 500cc class on his potent Husqvarna. Steve Holliday took a solid second in the first event, followed by James Martino. Martino worked his way to third after a bad start left him at the rear of the pack.

Mike Patrick also took a pair of wins in the 250cc class on his Yamaha. Phil Bowers and Tom Poteet ran second to Patrick in the two races.

In the second 100cc race, a Ron Benham-tuned Hodaka ridden by Jeff Wright took first place honors. Jack Morgan, also Hodaka, finished second.

250cc bikes line up for the start of the combined amateur-expert race. The Side Winder's course featured a deep sandwash at the start.

Jeff Wright rode this Benham-tuned Hodaka to a first in the Sand Blasters event and a third in the other.

Photos by C. Clayton and Terry Pratt

J.N. Roberts collected a pair of wins in the 500cc-Open class races aboard his potent Husqvarna.

Another Husqvarna rider gets above the sand. Riders were able to ride in two, nine mile races each.

Guess it's not really a coral snake, maybe it's a boa constrictor!

Orange County Opener

By Jim Vardeman

COSTA MESA, CAL., May 21, 1969 – 50 cycles entered the season's opener at Orange Co. Speedway Wednesday night.

Opening night was primarily a practice night and no points or money was involved, but that did not stop the action from being wild and lapid.

Randy Ellis, last years track champion, made an appearance and ran in all classes, coming out the victor in the 250cc TT Main event.

Young Stan Rogers won the 250cc Flat track main event on a re-start, after being involved in a wild crash with two other riders. Rogers first appeared to be seriously hurt but a check from the ambulance crew and he was back in the action. He took the lead on the re-start and was never seriously contested.

All classes, both TT and Flat Track, were hosted with some of So. Calif.'s finest young contenders. This season should prove the best yet. Races will be held every Wed. nite at 8:00 p.m.

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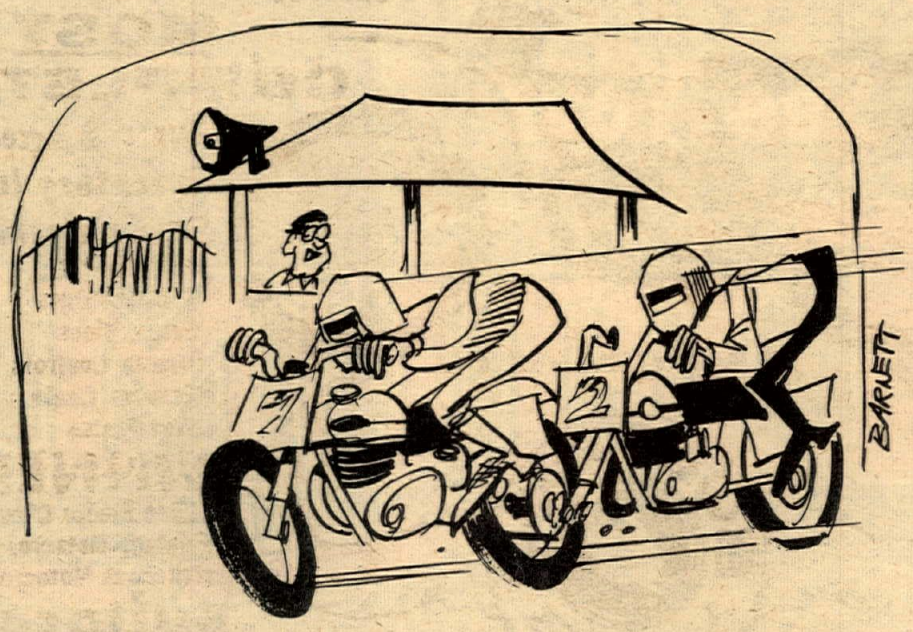

"SEE FOLKS, I TOLD YOU THESE TWO GUYS REALLY RIDE WILD IN THOSE TURNS!"

UNLUCKY SPOKES

By N.A. Williams

BRUSH PRAIRIE, WA. May 18 – Who expected it to rain this hard on a day in May? And this is summer scrambles?

After a few practice laps most of the big machines dropped out. Smaller machines seemed to take the water better and went on to finish the day's races with just a few "drop-outs."

RESULTS:

100cc TROPHY DASH: Jak Mills (Kaw).
A: 1. Jack Mills (Kaw), 2. Walt Drake (Hod), 3. Dennis Fromm (Kaw).
B: 1. Mike Manning (Bul), 2. Gregg Wind (Bri).

200cc TROPHY DASH: Larry Butterfield (Kaw).
A: 1. Larry Butterfield (Kaw), 2. Mike Hannula (Yam), 3. Dwight Horton (Yam).
B: 1. Lee Thompson (Kaw), 2. Neal Hulet (Hon).

250cc TROPHY DASH: Dave Ditter (Yam).
A: 1. Dave Ditter (Yam), 2. Bob Ryder (Kaw), 3. Jim Mullins (Hon).
B: 1. Geo. McCutchan (Mon), 2. Cliff Scott (Yam).
C: 1. Ed Sinclair (Yam).

500cc MOTOCROSS: 1. Vern Loy (Tri), 2. Dwight Horton (Tri), 3. Neal Hulet (Hon).

OPEN cc MOTOCROSS: 1. Dennis Erdman (Tri), 2. Bill Manley (H-D), 3. Hurb Moore (BSA).

Marysville To Placerville

By Dale McKinnon

MARYSVILLE, CAL. May 24 – Four sidecars livened the action at the Saturday TT with localites Ted Kenyon and Bob Zitlau battling two guys from Reno. The visitors J. Barham and Bill Keiji won it by a nose. (Complete results are unavailable at presstime).

PLACERVILLE, CA. May 25 – Bill Salzman is a winner, but consistency isn't his bag. Unfortunately for Bill, it takes both to top a class in motocross. He won two motos in the Amateur-Expert 251cc class after hard duels with Bob Hofstein, but finished so badly in the third that he earned only 2nd place overall.

In the 250 Amateur-Expert, battling with Bob Bowers, the same thing happened.

Contrasted to the previous wet motocross scene, the Placerville track was politively dusty. Lots of Reno riders came for the show, but only one finished in the brass: John Moore, 2nd 250 Novice.

Riding an "antique" BSA, in a Rickman frame, Jim Robb laid waste to the open novice class, winning all three motos like it was easy.

RESULTS:

100 NOV: 1. Joe Roitamizer (Sac), 2. Chuck Clark (Duc), 3. Roy Winters (MB).

125 NOV: 1. Bill Kubasek (Pen), 2. Bob Sorenson (Bul), 3. Larry T. Moore (Bul).

200 NOV: 1. Mike McGowan (Bul), 2. Merlyn C. Thomas (Bul).

250cc NOV: 1. Paul Hughes (Yam), 2. John Moore (Hus), 3. Kenneth Gerara (Yam).

250 AM/EX.: 1. Bob Bowers (Hus), 2. Wm. Saltzman (Hus).

375-OPEN: 1. Ed Gates (Hus), 2. Troy Durham (Mai), 3. Bob Hansen (Hus).

251 AM/EX.: 1. Robt. Hofstein (CZ), 2. Wm. Salzman (Hus).

376 NOV/OPEN: 1. Jim Robb (BSA), 2. Ted Hohnson (Hus), 3. Skip Spaick (Hus).

Graham

By David L. Welsh

TACOMA, WASH. May 23 – A new brace of winners dominated the second of Graham Speedway's 1969 weekly TT race series. Tacoman Don McLeod in his first serious challenge since serious injuries sidelined him mid-season last year, escaped with expert class win in a hard fought duel with last week's winner Sonny Burres. The brother team of Bill and Don Noble copped wins in the amateur and novice brackets respectively before another full house crowd.

This Friday, Memorial Day, a daytime event is scheduled with novice qualifying starting at 10 a.m.

RESULTS:

EXPERT MAIN: 1. Don McLeod, Tacoma, Wn. (H-D), 2. Sonny Burres, Portland, Ore. (Tri), 3. Emil Ahola, Tacoma, Wn. (Tri), 4. Jim Jones, Kirkland, Wn. (Tri), 5. Ross Roberts, Yak ma, Wn. (Tri), 6. Greg Morris, Seattle, Wn. (Tri), 7. Dave Clarke, Seattle, Wn (H-D0, 8. Bob Fievez, Tacoma, Wn. (Nor), 9. Sandy Saunders, Tacoma, Wn. (Tri).

AMATEUR MAIN: 1. Bill Noble, Auburn, Wn. (Tri), 2. John Bromley, Tacoma, Wn. (H-D), 3. Jim Cayou, Seattle, Wn. (Tri), 4. Butch Beck, Tacoma, Wn. (H-D), 5. Lee Thurman, Renton, Wn. (BSA), 6. Charlie Thielke, Seattle, Wn. (Tri), 7. Frank Cram, Rainier, Wn. (Tri), 8. Gary Anderson, Kent, Wn. (BSA), 9. Squire Tomasie, Tacoma, Wn. (Tri).

NOVICE MAIN: 1. Don Noble, Auburn, Wn. (Hon), 2. Pat Marinacci, Seattle, Wn. (Bul), 3. Ken Barton, Bremerton, Wn. (Bul), 4. Gary Brown, Tacoma, Wn. (Hus), 5. Mark Norman, Bothel, Wn. (Bul) 6. Rich Rogers, Tacoma, Wn. (Hon), 7. Mark Niccoli, Kent, Wn. (H-D), 8. Dave Fyler, Marysville, Wn. (Bul), 9. Mike McNemar, Pt. Angles, Wn. (Kaw).

EXPERT DASH: 1. Emil Ahola, Tacoma, Wn. (Tri), 2. Don McLeod, Tacoma, Wn. (H-D), 3. Dan Holton, Sumner, Wn. (Tri).

AMATEUR DASH: 1. Squire Tomasie, Tacoma, Wn. (Tri), 2. Jim Cayou, Seattle, Wn. (Tri), 3. Lee Thurman, Renton, WN. (BSA).

NOVICE DASH: 1. Chuck Joyner, Portland, Ore. (Kaw), 2. Pat Marinacci, Seattle, Wn. (Bul), 3. Gary Brown, Tacoma, Wn. (Hus).

OREGON, WASHINGTON RALLY POSTPONED

Oregon Sidewinders race ran on May 17 was the first leg of the two-day event. These points will stand.

Lucky Spokes race May 18 was to be the second leg of the rally but was put aside until June 1st.

Riders attending both races (Sidewinders May 17 – Lucky Spokes June 1) will be eligible for a special set of trophies that will go to the top point man in each class.

Drag Results

LIONS 5-25-69 By Dan Zeman

TOP BIKE: Jim Jones–10.81–125.34 (Tri). TOP MODIFIED: Al Sherwin–11.92 –111.99 (H-D). TOP GAS: Tim Mark–10.76–126.22 (H-D). TOP STREET: Moulders & Reese–13.32–98.03 (Nor).

STREET: C–Moulders & Reese–13.32–98.03 (Nor), D – Jack Murphy – 13.22 – 102.61 (Kaw), E–Don Thomson–15.27–81.15 (Yam), G–Greg Anchondo–15.66–80.86 (Suz), H–Gary Heater–16.15–76.27 (Yam), J–Robt. Cox–20.79–57.39 (Yam).

MODIFIED: B–Al Sherwin–11.92–111.97 (H-D), C–Art Houston–13.05–103.80 (Tri), D – Tony Nacosia – 11.98–113.63 (Kaw), G–Jack Linn–12.25–108.82 (Suz), J–Mike Mooney–20.25–61.09 (Yam).

GAS: A–Tim Mark–10.76–126.22 (H-D) C–Richard Decker–13.42–96.77 (Tri), E–Charlie Cash–12.50–101.50 (Suz).

Cotton Scoops Winders

By Marie Layton

PORTLAND, ORE. May 23 – Darrel Cotton, last year's 175cc Sportsman champ, scooped them all in on his Kawasaki tonight in the Novice class – winning his heats, trophy dash, and main event. Determined not to let him get away with it, Mike Gregg (Bul) breathed down his neck all the way, even passing him in the trophy dash, but Cotton regained his number one spot and narrowly held it to the finish.

This week, on Memorial Day, fans can look forward to seeing "The Flying Dutchman", Skip Van Leeuwen, national number 59 race on this crowd-pleasing track once again.

RESULTS:

TROPHY DASHES: NOVICE: Darrel Cotton (Kaw). AMATEUR: Bill Elder (H-D). EXPERT: Mrk Williams (Tri).

NOVICE MAIN EVENT: 1. Darrel Cotton (Kaw), 2. Mike Gregg (Bul), 3. Mike McCall (Kaw).

AMATEUR MAIN EVENT: 1. Jack Mott (BSA), 2. Bill Elder (H-D), 3. Bill Manley (H-D).

EXPERT MAIN EVENT: 1. Mark Williams (Tri), 2. Gary Davis (Tri), 3. Ike Reed (Tri).

SIDEWINDERS
CLASS C RESULTS By J. Lacey
Portland, Ore. May 16, 1969

NOVICE TROPHY DASH: Mike Gregg (Bul).

NOVICE MAIN EVENT: 1. Darrel Cotton (Kaw), 2. Mike McCall (Kaw), 3. Mike Gregg (Bul).

AMATEUR TROPHY DASH: Bill Elder (H-D0.

AMATEUR MAIN EVENT: 1. Bill Elder (H-D), 2. Bill Jackson (Tri), 3. Bill Cook (CZ).

EXPERT TROPHY DASH: Dick Donaca (Tri).

EXPERT MAIN EVENT: 1. Mark Williams (Tri), 2. Gary Davis (Tri), 3. T.L. Hoglan (Nor).

SIDEWINDERS SPORTSMAN,
May 17, 1969

100cc B: 1. Ron Denny (Pen), 2. Steve Tranchey (Yam), 3. Greg Lind (Bri).

100cc A: 1. Bill Lewis (Hod), 2. Bruce Malvaney (Suz), 3. Dennis Fromm (Kaw).

100cc T.D.: Bill Lewis (Hod).

200cc A: 1. Gary Kapus (Kaw), 2. Jim Nichols (Kaw), 3. Nick Akins (Bul).

200cc B: 1. Thad Lawrence (Kaw), 2. Lee Thompson (Kaw), 3. Gary Milne (Hon)

200cc T.D.: Gary Kapus (Kaw).

125cc MOTO: 1. Mike Hannula (Yam), 2. Ron Fox (Yam), 3. Dick Burgett (Yam).

250cc A: 1. Chuck Joyner (Kaw), 2. Darrel Cotton (Kaw), 3. Mike Ellis (Yam).

250cc B: 1. Dale Hixson (Yam), 2. Harold Morse (Bul), 3. Bob Ryder (Kaw).

250cc T.D.: Mike Ellis (Yam).

250cc C: 1. Geo. Jones (Kaw), 2. Harold Evans (Kaw), 3. Chuck Clark (Kaw).

250cc D: 1. Phil Davis (Bul), 2. Erick Walen (Kaw), 3. Keith Forsythe (Kaw).

OPEN A: 1. Thad Lawrence (Kaw), 2. Ken Hart (Tri), 3. Duane Jordan (Tri).

OPEN B: 1. Bob Linjaver (BSA), 2. Bob Bernstein (Tri), 3. Jerry McClanahan (Tri).

OPEN T.D.: Thad Lawrence (Kaw).

500 A: 1. Lowell Carey (Hon), 2. Gary Kapus (Kaw), 3. Jay Lacey (Tri).

500 B: 1. Gary Webster (Bul), 2. Ralph Hill (Tri), 3. John Anderson (Mai).

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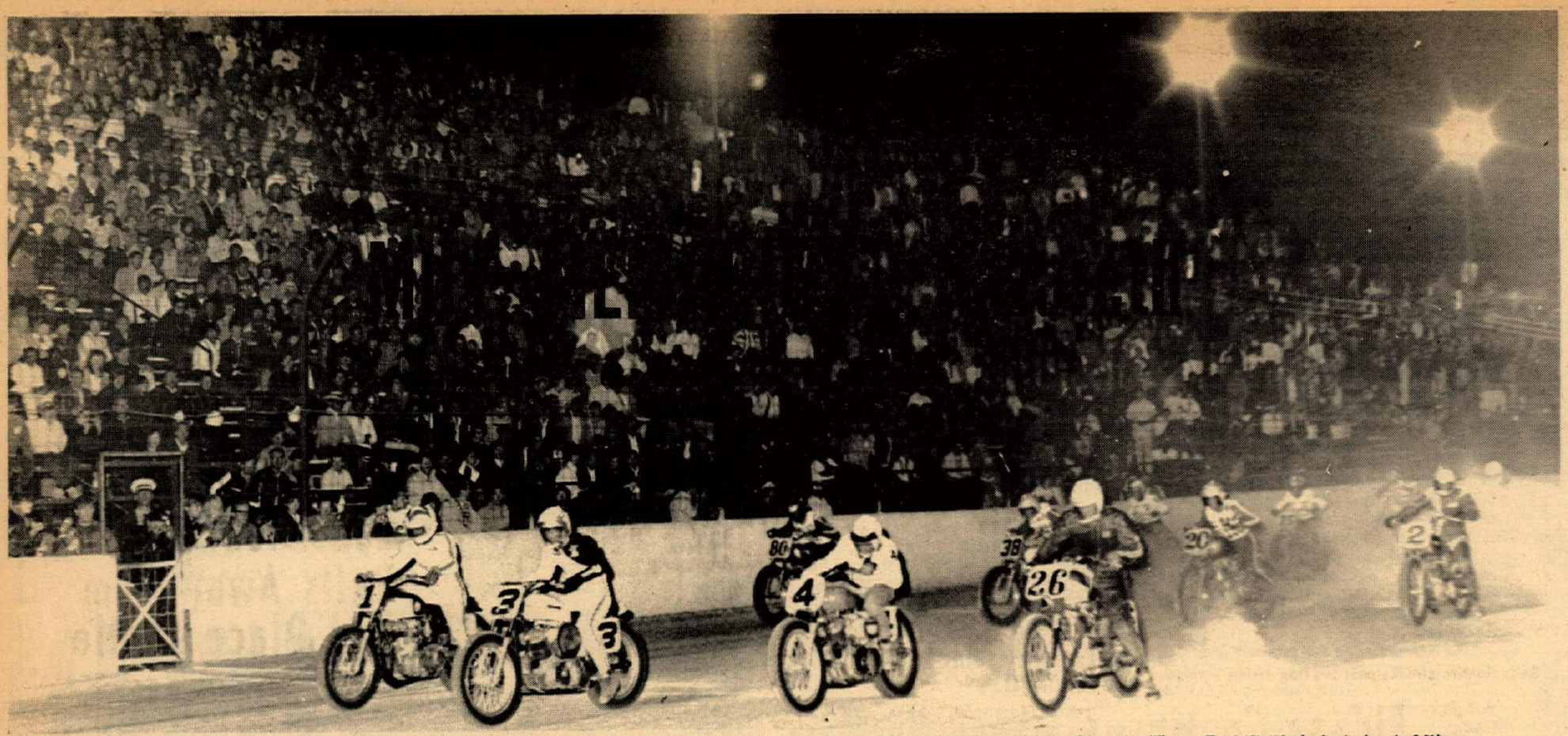
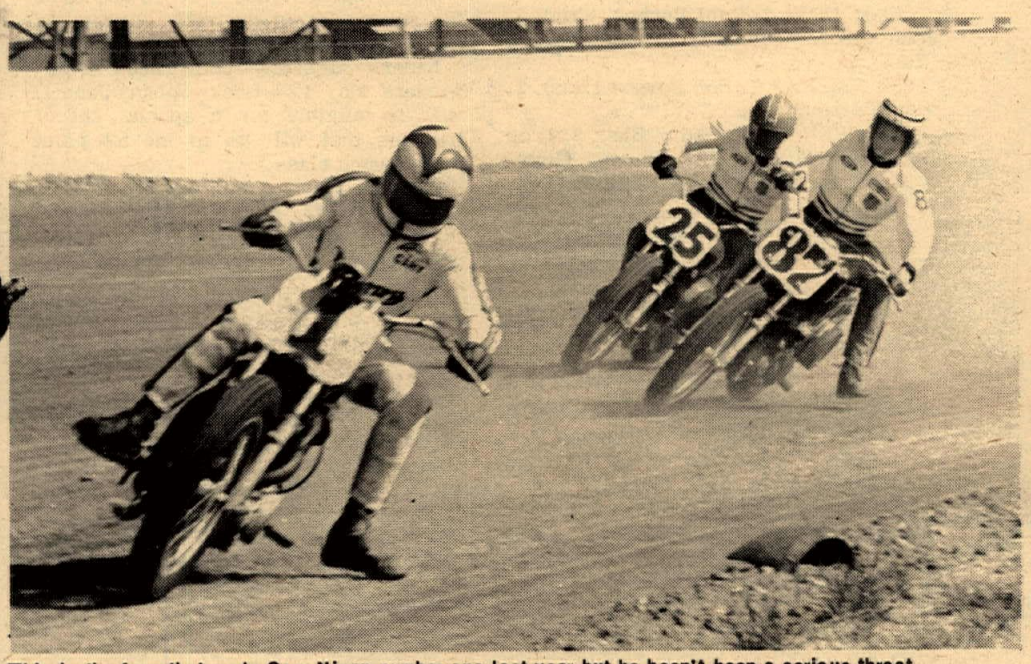


In front of a near-capacity crowd the flag comes down on the start of the Nazareth Mile Main. National Number One Gary Nixon is on the outside pole. Winner Fred (3) Nix is just ahead of Nixon pulling off the line.

"I ride sitting down but for this, a man should stand up and do it right," says Fred in the winner's circle.



This is the form that made Gary Nixon number one last year but he hasn't been a serious threat to the point leaders yet this year. Mark (87) Breisford retired with mechanical problems and Cal (25) Rayborn hung on for a sixth-place finish.

By Ed Youngblood

NAZARETH, PENNA., May 17 – The first mile event of the 1969 season came off as a novel and successful meet, and Fred Nix continued his mile track domination of last year.

The Nazareth "mile" is actually a mile and one-eighth in length, and shaped like no other dirt track on the National Circuit. The first turn is a gradual sweeper that banks downward onto a short stright, then into a tighter bank that leads to the uphill, long curve which replaces the back straight of the normal track. From there the riders again make a slight downhill drive into the huge, uniform of the last turn, leading out onto the long stretch in front of the grandstand.

It is a "D" shape, rather than oval. The surface is of the Eastern clay common to car tracks, and it packs down to a hard, tacky surface.

In the time trials twenty-four Amateurs and thirty-four Experts assaulted the new and unusual circle, and Fred Nix set the pace of the evening by turning the mile plus in 42.06 seconds to better the 42.60 record set last September by Bob Sholly.

In speed, that comes to an average of over 96 miles per hour. Back straight speeds must have been approaching 120.

Gary Nixon, riding a Triumph Trident, turned second fastest at 42.08, and Bart Markel and Dick Mann tied for third at 42.11. Fast Amateur, as you might expect, was Dave Aldana, who turned 42.26 on a Rocket 3. Donald Castro, with 42.94, and Royal Sherbert, with 43.96, were the only other Amateurs to cut below 44 seconds.

So that the final Expert heat and the Expert consolation would not be run back to back, the organizers staged the preliminaries in the order of two Amateur heats, four Expert heats, the final Amateur heat, and the Expert consolation. Hot Eastern Amateur Robin Martin (63E) won the first seven lap heat in 5:09.11, Don Castro (11y) took the second heat in 5:08.07, and Aldana (38x) won the third at 5:05.75, to round things off nicely with the three best in the nation setting times that accurately reflect their relative abilities.

Expert heats were eight laps each, and were won by Markel (5:41.56), Ed Varnes (5:40.54), Nixon (5:44.15), and Nix (5:41.77), with Fred Varnes taking the four lap consolation at 2:59.52. The Varnes brothers were the surprisers of the night, with Ed turning over a full second faster than Nix, and with Fred royally trouncing the likes of Duhamel, Sholly, Darr, and Cunha.

In the Amateur final Dave Aldana achieved his fourth victory in five National tries, running off from the field on a howling BSA three. The vicious vibra-

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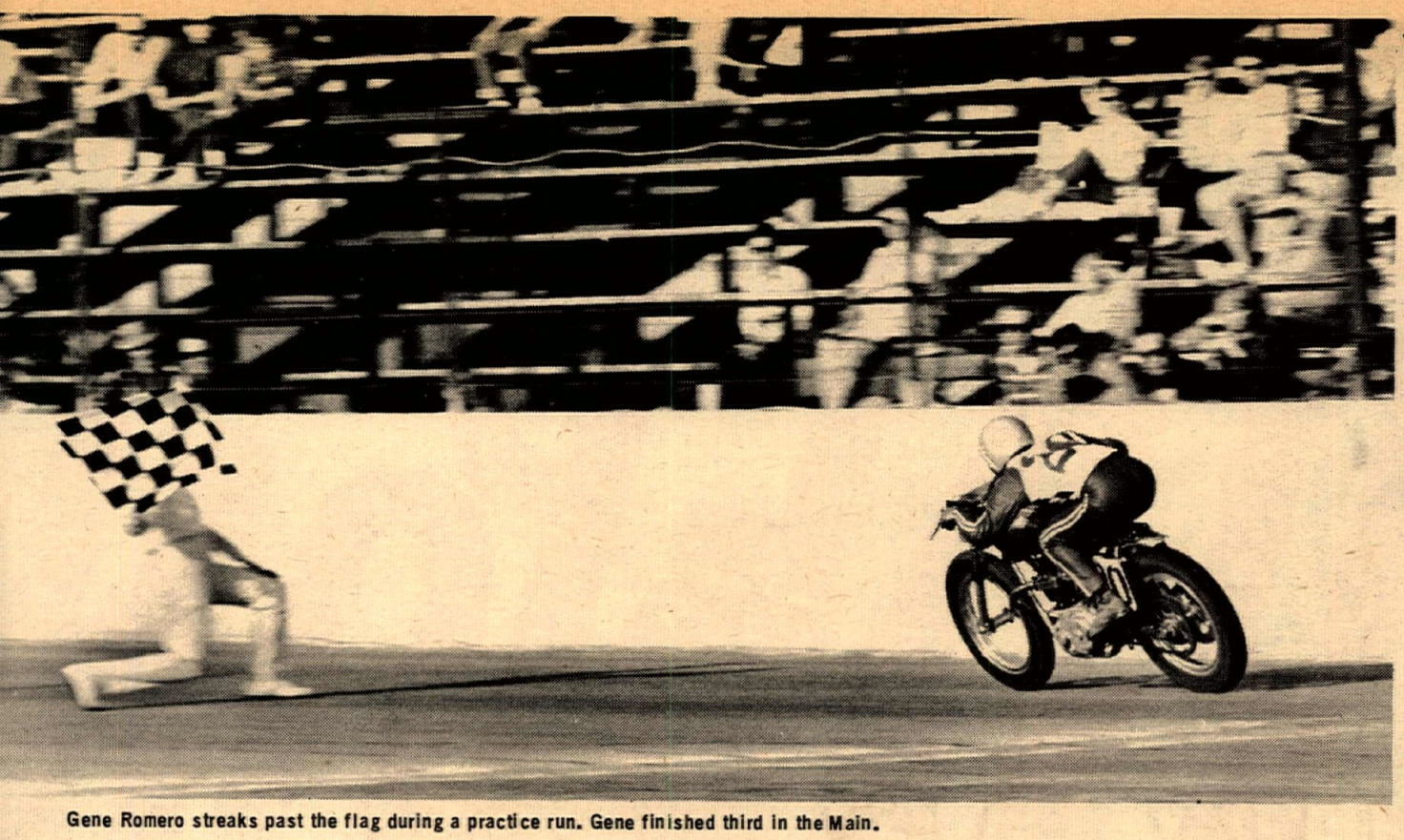
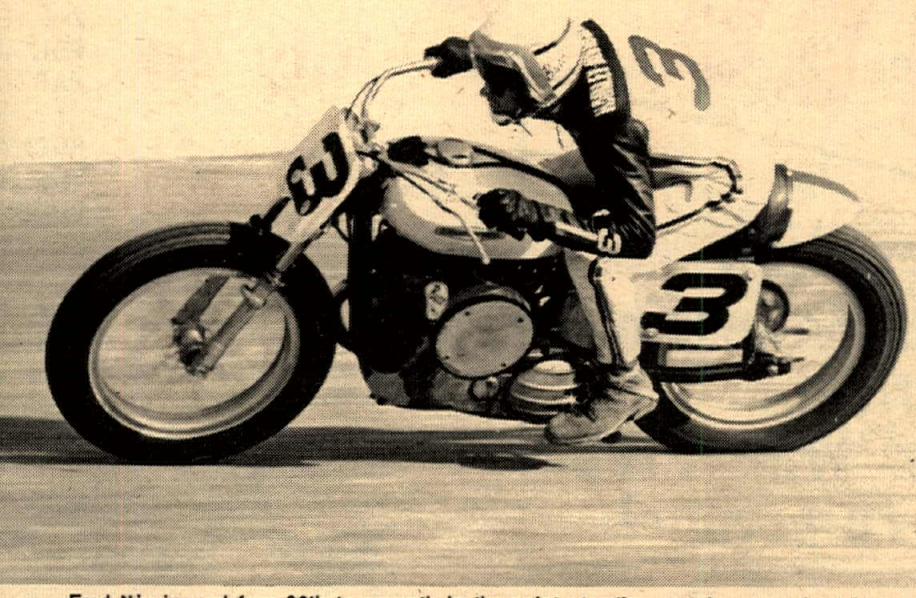


Gene Romero streaks past the flag during a practice run. Gene finished third in the Main.

Fast amateur Dave Aldana turned 42.26 on a BSA Rocket Three. Aldana reportedly borrowed the machine from Yvon Duhamel.

Aldana Continues Streak



Fred Nix jumped from 26th to seventh in the point standings on the strength of his win here. Mert Lawwill holds a 51 point lead over Cal Rayborn, in second place with 136 points.

Bart Markel chases Gary Nixon but leads him in the point standings, 133 to 131. They hold positions four and five.

Speeds approached 120 mph on the straightaway and Cal Rayborn tucks in tight. The hard clay was fast but the bumpy surface caused vibration problems for many.

tion that results on the lumpy, hard clay at over 100 miles per hour took its toll on Don Castro, and he continued his run of bad luck by retiring early with a carburetor snapped off at the head. Robin Martin, as twice before, followed Aldana to the checker.

For the National Championship twenty experts lined up in the order of E. Varnes, Markel, Nix, Nixon, Mann, C. Palmgren, Romero, Rice, Lawwill, Wirth, Rayborn, Brelsford, Haaby, Dallas Baker, Dave Sehl, L. Palmgren, F. Varnes, Duhamel, Cunha, and Sholly.

When the flag waved starting the fifty-lap grind, the National pack raced for the first turn on street-tanked bikes, heavily laden with the necessary fuel. Nix, Nixon, C. Palmgren, and Markel led to the turn, with Nix taking money for the first lap.

Immediately the fierce vibration began to work on the machinery, and Markel was the first to pull off, only to return for another try with a failing electrical system.

Then Brelsford, Wirth, and Cunha were out for good, and by lap fifteen the field was reduced to fifteen riders. Haaby and Duhamel also were off and on the track repeatedly, and Mann and Lawwill lost their motors entirely.

In the early laps it looked as if Nix's winning streak on the mile was about to end, with Nixon collecting lap money from lap three through lap eight. But Nix regained command on lap ten, and from there stormed on to the flag, lapping all but the first seven riders for a time of 35:06.95. At the end, only eleven of the starters remained.

Some had doubts about Nazareth, fearing a night race run at over 100 miles per hour along the concrete walls designed to stop speeding cars, rather than human bodies. But fears were unfounded.

Including practice, time trials, and races, not one fall was taken in either class, and most riders, in spite of the severe vibration, loved the track. It may become a favorite on the National circuit.

(Complete results on page 20)

Consistent Mert Pulls Away From 2nd Place Battle

By Betzel Smith

While Mert Lawwill keeps stretching his point lead, several other riders have bunched up for second place as the AMA national circuit starts moving into full swing. Although Mert holds a 51 point lead over fellow Californian Cal Rayborn who has a 136 total and Gene Romero is only down two points from that total, a tight eight man duel is expected to come out in the next few weeks. Just behind Romero is Markel with 133 and Gary Nixon with 131. On the strength of his Nazareth win, Fred Nix has jumped from 26th to seventh with 90 points and Dick Mann holds 68, though more than a hundred behind Lawwill, Mann can't be figured out of the running.

With three successive half mile races at Reading, Pa., Livoina, Michigan and Louisville, Ky. on successive weekends, it is difficult to determine who will be in the saddle when the circuit moves to the West Coast for the July nationals. Mert could be headed for the Grand National crown as he has been the most consistent rider to date, but Markel always flourishes on the half-miles and is in the thick of it despite coming up with blown engines in two of the last three races.

Nix hasn't been able to get the right combination together until the Nazareth race, but like Fred, Gary Nixon has been coming on stronger in the past two races. Romero has been in the thick of things with a second, third and fourth and is likely to be sitting pretty good if he can pull off one of the half miles in the next couple of weeks.

Most impressive rider of all on the young national circuit has been amateur Dave Aldana of Santa Ana, Calif., who is still unbeaten in the amateur class after three races. He has succeeded in posting fast time, in addition to winning a heat race and the feature in each of the three races to go along with his Houston short track win.

(Point Standings on page 16)

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San Diego Trials

Nila Grove flashes a big smile as she picks her way through one of the 12 observed sections. Donnie Stewart won the women's class.

Duane Stone took fifth in the Master Class on a Bultaco. 150 entries showed up at this San Diego event.

By Gary Barton

SAN DIEGO, CAL., May 18, 1969– Master Trials rider John Walters edged Bob Grove for top honors Sunday, May 18 in the Miramar riding area north of San Diego. Both riders are presidents of their respective clubs; Walters guides the San Diego Trials Riders, sponsors of the event, and Grove is bellwether of the Southern California Trials Association.

John and Bob both tallied equal scores of 33 in the seven sections but a check of their respective scores showed 12 cleaned sections for Walters with Bob cleaning 10 of the very difficult traps. Ties are broken with the highest number ciphers and this elated the winner.

Competition Secretary for the S.C.T.A. Jack Ward took the show position only 2 marks further down with 35. All were Bultaco mounted, in fact the first six places were taken by the popular Sherpa T's.

S.D.T.R. also made a very good showing in the expert class. Neighbors John Brewer and Bill Batzloff who both ride identical Cottons and are fiercely competitive with each other, took the first two positions. Brewer lost 40 marks and Batzloff accounted 42 points for the day. Roy Sheridan used the Montesa loaned to Bob Nichelsen and took the third position.

Close to one hundred Amateur riders competed in the Ultra-lightweight and lightweight classes. George Karsten (Bultaco) was tops among the lightweights with 15 points and John Schulz took a brand new Montesa Cota to second dropping a mere 16 while Bill Robertson was down one more point with 17 for third. The amateur traps were really challenging and the low scores incurred by the amateur riders attest to their abilities.

In the Amateur Ultra-lightweight class, Bill Earl made a really remarkable showing by equalling Karsten's score with 15 marks. Earl rides a Hodaka and although the sections really favored the more powerful bikes Bill's ability enabled him to top Hodaka mounted Neal Arnett by a full seven marks.

An ecstatic Donnie Stewart won the women's class with a total of 19 marks. Donnie rides one of the best looking Hodakas set up for trials as well as being one of the best looking Hodaka riders.

John Brewer rode his Cotton to a first in the Expert class. He beat neighbor Bill Batzlaff by two points.

In the sub-14 yr. old class a very colorful and very stylish Martin Belair lost a mere 3 points for his first-place award. Martin rides a Hodaka and is instantly recognizable in his Joel Robert cap and bright yellow Martini jersey. Scott Montgomery, also riding a Hodaka, lost 6 points but still had a 10 point margin over Ken Helus. These youngsters show style like Sammy Miller's and starting out this young will really become top flight competitors in the ensuing years.

Nearly 150 riders showed for this event and most are ready for the highlight event of the year, the Big Bear Two-Day which has been scheduled for Memorial Day Weekend, May 31 and June 1st.

Burres Sweeps Graham Opener

By David L. Welsh

TACOMA, WN. May 16,– Portland's Sonny Burres easily handled the 31 man field of experts entered in the first 1969 race meet at Tacoma's Graham Speedway.

Setting a fast qualifying time of 19.51, he then guided his Triumph racer to a close victory over former track champions Emil Ahola and Dan Holton. In the expert heat races, Burres took command again, beating Tacoma's Sandy Saunders and Ross Roberts of Yakima, Wn.

Heat two saw surprising first year expert Gregg Morse of Seattle bolt past Ahola in the backstretch right-hander and stretch out for an easy win followed by Ahola and last year's amateur point leader Jim Jones. Dan Holton took heat three with come-back rider Dave Clarke and Holton's younger brother Steve trailing.

In the main event Burres jumped into the early lead with Sandy Saunders chasing. Heat winner Morse, off to a poor start and moving up fast, broke his gearbox and retired in lap 4 of the 15 lap main. New national number 83 Don Mc Leoad hung on to third spot until Dan Holton slipped by in lap 5. Holton went on to pass tiring Saunders in lap 11 as Burres stretched his lead. Ahola slid by McLeod in the 14th lap for the fourth place finish. Burres' win earned him a $300 slice of the $1450 total purse.

The amateur program was highlighted by a heated duel between H-D mounted John Bromley and Squire Tomasie's Triumph. Both won their heats easily. The third amateur heat was marred by a four bike crash in the right-hander during the first lap. After a restart three anxious amateurs again piled up stopping the heat again.

The novice event, 64 riders strong, was dominated by Portland's Chuck Joyner and Dan Brecht of Seattle. Each won a heat race, Brecht the fastest, along with first heat winner Jim Kiltoff. Brecht won the dash and took the early lead in the main. Joyner started in the fourth spot and moved up steadily to take the win away from Brecht 50 feet from the finish, with Kiltoff third.

(Results on page 16)

Salem Motocross

By Marie Layton

SALEM, OREGON, May 18– Salem Motocross Park staged its grand opening event Sunday amidst showers of rain. While the rain was welcome to settle the dust, three members of the newly formed club who stayed up till 4 a.m. watering the track probably did not truly appreciate the showers.

Seventy-seven riders signed up to try this new course just to the southwest of Salem. Most of them seemed to like what they found. The track is rough, and almost a mile around. There are several jumps where the riders get airborne and provide plenty of thrills for the spectators. The club plans on following International Motocross Rules, running three heats in each class. Each entrant rides ten minutes per heat and the winners are determined by points. Three classes are offered: 125cc, juniors and seniors – 250cc, juniors and seniors–Open, juniors and seniors.

The general consensus of opinion among the nearly 850 spectators was that for a cross-country race, this club offers the best facilities available anywhere. Most of the course can be seen from the parking area, with only parts of it being hidden by trees and shrubbery.

A promotional race by a local radio station featured the KBZY "good guys", all disc jockeys for the station. Gene Harrison, owner of the station, had promised his many fans that he would win this race one way or the other. Seeing John Vaughn clearly in the lead prompted him to cut the course practically in half in order to come across the finish line first. Harrison was disqualified. Second place went to Jim Trett, third to Jerry Whipper, and fourth to Clayton Henry. All were awarded trophies for their efforts.

The 125cc Junior class had fifteen riders. Ronald Britton, Yamaha, was the high point rider in this class and thirteen-year old Diane Cox, Penton, finished in second place. Diane was the only girl to sign up and managed to do as well, or better, than most of the fellows in her class.

High point rider in the 125cc Senior class was Dennis Glasgow on a Yamaha. The 250cc Junior class went to Larry Rucher, Bultaco. Mike Clark, Maico, won the 250cc Senior division and the open class went to Robert Leach on a 360 CZ.

Races are planned on this course every other Sunday through the 24th of August.

(Results on page 16)

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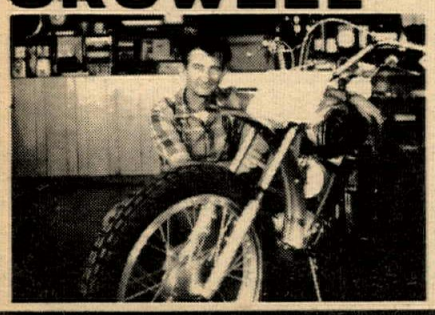

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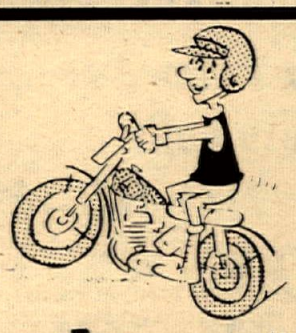

Three Men Hit The Trail-The Oregon Trail

Three Southern California men are on their way to retrace a part of the Oregon Trail on 150cc motorcycles.

Ed Craven, his son Ed Jr., and Dennis Crouse set out Sunday from Torrington, Wyoming and followed one of the main westward routes used by pioneers.

The 500 miles of trail the men plan to cover twists across rugged Wyoming countryside, goes across the Continental Divide, and crosses the same river nine times.

The Cravens are from San Clemente and Crouse lives in Redondo Beach.

Crouse got the idea for the ride from an article in a Wyoming outdoors magazine which described the trail and pointed out it hadn't been used for the last ninety years.

Motorcycles for the ride were furnished by the importers of American Eagle.

The men plan to finish their ride in Fort Bridger, the western most point in Wyoming.

Intensified was the name of the action at Marysville.

Spill-A-Thon At Marysville TT

By Dale McKinnon

MARYSVILLE, Cal., May 10 – Hungry riders rode hard and unloaded often in a thrilling program at Marysville Saturday night, May 10.

The heats went off like clockwork but the Mains saw most of the action. Five riders went down at the start of the 200 class and only one was able to continue. Don Gentilli took no chances and got out in front as if the plague were after him to take the event.

The closest race of the night was in the 125 class. Vic Krill and Ken Snider got off the line together and neither was able to get more than a few feet in front of the other until Krill fell. Snider took over the lead until Ronald Skinner took advantage of an opening to go into the lead and win the race.

In the 250 Amateur Main, William Doran cut the course and while the starter tried to get his attention, everyone else stopped to find out who was wanted. The race was restarted and Jim Crenshaw grabbed and held the lead to the wire.

Montie Gibson did a wheelie on a Honda 350 halfway down the straight, lost control and fell in front of the pack. He was unhurt and finished the race.

Cliff Askland won the combined Amateur-Expert Main on a Bultaco to round out the night program.

(Results on page 16)

Desert Snow Turns Rawhide Enduro To Mush

By Robert W. Caudle

HAWTHORNE, NEV. May 4, 1969 – The sun didn't dawn quite as brightly as it should have for the running of the third annual 100 mile Rawhide Enduro. Before the event a freak storm dropped from two to six inches of snow on the course.

Some of the riders came prepared to ride this typical Nevada desert area – no front fenders and no waterproofing, but after the snow there were several paid entries that didn't bother to unload their bikes.

The dirt road going up the mountain into the pit area was so slick that the first few pickups couldn't make it. However, the promoting club had a four-wheel drive pickup to pull them through the worst places.

Nevertheless, the mud and snow did not stop the true enthusiasts. After leaving the starting area for the first sixty mile loop, the riders faced a narrow sandwash complete with Nevada boulders. Further on the riders followed a road that would have been dry and fast in normal weather, but now it was covered with two inches of greasy mud. Several riders tried to get through this menace by putting their feet down as outriggers, but soon they fell down in the mud. The more experienced riders rode on the roads edge in the fresh snow and got through in good shape.

At the higher elevations it started to get very foggy. Soon a rider couldn't see his hand in front of his face. A member of the promoting club stood on the course warning everyone of a steep downhill, then rocky uphill. Many of the starters made two or three tries at the hill then went back to the starting area. Once on top the snow and fog was still so bad that no-one could find the course markers. Finally a rider found them and led the pack down off the hill into some fast desert where they could make up some time.

With one half of the starters coming through the second check they faced a rim-deep, one mile long mud flat. At this point most of the riders and their machines were unrecognizable.

Finally it was out of the third check, over some fast roads and rolling desert and into the noon check for some very tired people.

At the noon check there was a slight argument as some of the riders were sneaking out too early. This was soon settled and the riders started on the second loop of forty seven miles of open rolling desert.

The second loop was easy compared to the first and the riders started coming into the checks early as the overall average was only 20 mph. The snow had melted leaving the sandy sections damp and hard.

The Wassuck Scramblers of Hawthorne Nevada, did a tremendous job of setting up this event. The course was very well marked, complete with arrows instead of the usual surveyors tape. This is their biggest event of the year and they put forth an effort to make it a success.

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BUSHMASTERS MOTOCROSS
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OFFICIAL RESULTS
(Incomplete)
By Rich Walden

100cc CLASS
Don Watkins Sac
Brian King Hod
Tommy Cook Yam
Robert Fortier Hos
F. Vallefuoco Hod
Mike Brown Sac
Dale Walter Sac
Einar Fritz Sac
Mike Garrett Hod
Jim Brown Sac
Larry Broyles Hod
Gary Little Hod
Bob Hall Hod
Louie Dunn Hod
Ed Fuller Hod
Norm Fisher Sac
Allen Wallis Hod
Lee Runnels Hod
Fred Mendez Hod
125cc CLASS
Walter Sharp Sac
Larry Cook Yam
Norman Benham Yam
Earl Roeseler Yam
Roger Twedell Pen
Chuck Hecker Mai
Jim Orcutt Yam
Ken Jenner Sac
Dan Flores Pen
J. LaTendresse Pen

3rd ANNUAL RAWHIDE ENDURO
May 4, 1969
(OFFICIAL)

FIRST OVER-ALL
F. Mozing Sac 963
CLASS "A" 125cc
F. Mozing Sac 963
CLASS "A" 126 to 250cc
F. Showers Gre 961
C. Anderson Yam 960
L. McDonald Yam 955
G. Barrett Suz 939
R. Randal Yam 918
V. Weldy Hus 912
B. Onga Hus 909
CLASS "A" OPEN
G. Clinton Mai 873
CLASS "B" 125cc
H. Nunn Sac 919
G. Rouse Pen 901
R. Harlow Pen 861
CLASS "B" 126cc to 250cc
C. Shipman Gre 959
T. Patterson Yam 958
M. McGown Hus 947
C. Potter Yam 947
R. Sutton Yam 943
M. Jessop Yam 940
R. Robichaud Gre 938
CLASS "B" OPEN
E. Parker Hus 947
M. Tuxon Vic 945
R. Urie Mai 941
R. Keeping Mat 936
F. Rogers Tri 929
TEAM TROPHY
R. Robichaud)
C. Shipman) 1st
G. Barrett)
G. Clinton)
A. Flowers) 2nd
R. Urie)
SIDE CAR
G. Hanson
A. Littlejohn

HILLTOPPERS MOTOCROSS
Sandy, Oregon
May 11, 1969
By J. Lacey

100cc
E. Burkinshaw Yam
Kelley McCleary M-B
Terry Caldwell Hon
175cc
Joe Riley Yam
Rick Burgett Yam
Pete Karstedt Yam
250cc
Ron Powell C-Z
Larry Mascotte C-Z
Don Yates C-Z
Marvin Wourms Mai
Don Bugett Yam
360cc
#119Q C-Z
Jack Baxter Mai
B'jarne Jensen Mai
OPEN
Ron Brown Tri
Bob Weigant Tri
Jerry Dvrham Tri
KIDS 100cc
Gary Williams Bri
Jim Snyder Hon

SALEM MOTOCROSS PARK, EUROPEAN MOTOCROSS
Sunday, May 18, 1969
By Marie Layton
KBZY "GOOD GUYS" PROMOTIONAL RACE:
John Vaughn
Jim Trett
Jerry Whipper
Clayton Henry
Gene Harrison
125cc JUNIOR CLASS
Ronald Britton Yam
Diane Cox Pen
Jim Sether Kaw
Stan Morin Hon
125cc SENIOR CLASS:
Dennis Glasgow Yam
Gary Olsen Pen
Tom Paschen Yam
Tom Nooken Hod
250cc JUNIOR CLASS:
Larry Rucher Bul
Len Kesey C-Z
Gary McDowell Yam
Dan Miner Gre
Dennis Shipman Jaw
250cc SENIOR CLASS:
Mike Clark Mai
Dick Jagow Gre
Bill Cook C-Z
Keith Nerseth Kaw
Larry Mascotte C-Z
OPEN CLASS:
Robert Leach C-Z
Dick Jagow Gre
Dick Cole Mai
Ed Bowers Mai

SUNNY VALLEY SPEEDWAY
Grants Pass, Ore.
May 4, 1969
By V. Copeland

KIDS CLASS
"A" FLAT TRACK
Peter Simonsen M-B
"B" FLAT TRACK
Jerry Shippy M-B
TROPHY DASH
Wayne Dole Sac
"A" MAIN
Peter Simonsen M-B
Wayne Dole Sac
Rusty Ross Hod
"B" MAIN
Reed Kirtley Hon
Frank Word III Suz
100 CLASS
"A" FLAT TRACK
Dave Russell Kaw
"B" FLAT TRACK
Reggie Saurers Suz
TROPHY DASH
Dwane Francisco Zun
"A" MAIN
Dwane Francisco Zun
Dave Russell Kaw
S. Hendrickson Kaw
"B" MAIN
Reggie Saurers Suz
Karl Barefield Kaw
200 CLASS
"A" FLAT TRACK
Dave Russell Kaw
"B" FLAT TRACK
Don Ganoung Yam
TROPHY DASH
Mike Branam Bul
"A" MAIN
Mike Branam Bul
Ken Willingham Hon
Rick Bliss Bul
"B" MAIN
Dennis Crews Oss
Jerry Hansen Bri
250 CLASS
"A" FLAT TRACK
Steve Nason Kaw
"B" FLAT TRACK
Don Ganoung Yam
"C" FLAT TRACK
Tim Tepper C-Z
TROPHY DASH
Dwane Francisco Bul
"A" MAIN
Steve Nason Kaw
Dan Ginther Oss
Dwane Francisco Bul
"B" MAIN
Tim Tepper C-Z
John Soy Bul
"C" MAIN
Lauren Saurers C-Z
OPEN CLASS
500 FLAT TRACK
Gene Schnieder Bul
650 FLAT TRACK
Bob Vaughn Tri
TROPHY DASH
Bob Vaughn Tri
"A" MAIN
Dick Russell Tri
Fritz Espy Hon
Mike Lawless Bul
"B" MAIN
Harry Webb Tri

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GRAHAM SPEEDWAY-
Tacoma, Wash.
May 16, 1969
By David L. Welsh

EXPERT MAIN
Sonny Burres Tri
Dan Holton Tri
Sandy Saunders Tri
Emil Ahola Tri
Don McLeod H-D
Jim Jones Tri
Ross Roberts Tri
Dave Clark H-D
Gregg Morris Tri
AMATEUR MAIN
John Bromley H-D
Squire Tomasie Tri
Thad Lawrence –
Butch Beck H-D
Gary Haugen H-D
Frank Cram Tri
Jim Grace BSA
Bill Noble Tri
Bryan Shannon BSA
NOVICE MAIN
Chuck Joyner Kaw
Dan Brecht C-Z
Jim Kiltoff Bul
Mark Niccoli H-D
Don Noble Hon
Rich Rogers Hon
Mike McNemar Kaw
K. Von Hansen Hon
Gregg Johnson Bul
EXPERT DASH
Sonny Burres
Emil Ahola
Dan Holton
AMATEUR DASH
John Bromley
Squire Tomasie
Lee Thurmond
NOVICE DASH
Dan Brecht
Chuck Joyner
Jim Kiltoff

ELSINORE TT
Elsinore, Cal.
May 17, 1969
100 NOV.-1 MAIN
L. Harmon Hon
J. Hoffard Suz
J. Hillerud Hod
100 NOV.-2 MAIN
Greg Wickam Suz
Danny Hart M-B
John Sperry Yam
125 NOV.
L. Bird Yam
T. Gillett Bul
D.C. Ralph Yam
200 NOV
S. Jones Oss
D. Bailey Bri
G. Jarman Tri
250 NOV.
B. Huntsman Bul
E. Mitchell Yam
L. Preston Oss
B. Hill Yam
350-500 NOV.
D. Davis Tri
G. Nord BSA
A. Nespoli BSA
OPEN NOV.
G. Nord BSA
B. Larson Tri
B. Smith BSA
100 EXPERT
R. Powell Kaw
G. Wickam Suz
T. McKee Hod
125 EXPERT
R. Powell Kaw
R. Vanderpool Sac
250 EXPERT
C. Soderstrom Bul
R. Vanderpool Oss
J. Chitwood Yam
350-500 OPEN EX.
R. Vanderpool Tri
R. Marquis Hon
SPEC. EX.
C. Soderstrom Bul
R. Vanderpool Tri
SWEEPS
R. Powell Kaw

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PERRIS NIGHT RACES
Perris, Cal., May 17,
100 NOV. A
Jack Dannenberg Yam
Mark Revels Hod
Jeff Sexton Hon
Ron Bell Hod
100 NOV. B
Bob Kline Suz
Bill Dobbs Suz
Robert Sanders Yam
Steve Mudd Bul
Richard Sanders Kaw
100 AM.-EX.
Doug Mason Kaw
Jay Lewis Yam
Sandra Lambert Hod
125cc-200cc
Roger Osburn Yam
Brent Leroy Bul
John Carmello Yam
Jim Dawson Yam
Tom Heard Bul
250 NOVICE
Tim Abshier Yam
Irwin Moon Bul
Frank Eggers Yam
Paul Lass Suz
D.E. Jones Yam
250 NOVICE A
Pat Lynch Suz
Stan Sweaney Mon
Stu Cox Bul
Paul Lambert Yam
Bob Wanboldt Oss
250 NOVICE
Dennis Creason Bul
Bob Greenstreet Bul
Jerry Ayers Hus
Larry Purcell Yam
Mark Borrden Bul
250 AM.-EX.
Vince Graves Suz
Kurt Lewis Bul
Doug Mason Yam
Ronald Moore Yam
Ron McDaniels Yam
BIG BIKE MOTO
Bob Rudd Hon
James Johnnie(tie) Hon
John Jones (tie) Mai
Perry Armstrong Tri
Tom Kemmen Bul
Dave McMahon BSA

CYCLE-LAND SPEEDWAY
Chico, Cal.
May 17, 1969

100cc CLASS
BEGINNERS MAIN
Mike Rooney M-B
SCRATCH MAIN
Del Silva M-B
HANDICAPPED MAIN
Dan Toby Cim
Charlie McGimsey Suz
John Allen Kaw
200cc CLASS
BEGINNERS MAIN
Eddie Brown Bul
SCRATCH MAIN
Mike Rockwell Yam
HANDICAPPED MAIN
Eddie Brown Bul
Jim Hubbard Yam
Dick Turner Hon
250cc CLASS
BEGINNERS MAIN
Barry Hiatt Hon
SCRATCH MAIN
Mike Corcoran Yam
HANDICAPPED MAIN
Rich Chambers Yam
Randy Scott Yam
Mike Corcoran Yam

SIDEWINDERS CLASS C
May 9, 1969
By J. Lacey

NOVICE TROPHY DASH
Alan Merinville
AM. TROPHY DASH
Mike Downing Tri
ex. trophy dash
gary Davis Tri
NOV. MAIN EVENT
Dan Brecht C-Z
Darrel Cotton Kaw
Duke Gardner –
AM. MAIN EVENT
Bill Elder H-D
Bill Cook C-Z
Mike Downing Tri
EX. MAIN EVENT
Mark Williams Tri
Gary Davis Tri
Ike Reed Tri

AMA GRAND NAT'L. POINT STANDINGS AFTER NAZARETH

1.	Mert Lawwill	187
2.	Cal Rayborn	136
3.	Gene Romero	134
4.	Bart Markel	133
5.	Gary Nixon	131
6.	Ron Grant	91
7.	Fred Nix	90
8.	Chuck Palmgren	84
9.	Mike Duff	82
10.	Dick Mann	68

LIGHTWEIGHT SCRAMBLES CLUB POINT STANDINGS AS OF MAY 11, 1969

1.	Lt. Weights	568
2.	Jackrabbits	548
3.	Scramblers	268
4.	Perris Valley	263
5.	Prospectors	195
6.	O. C. M. C.	155
7.	Stumpjumpers	148
8.	San Pedro	135
9.	Gripsters	126
10.	S. B. V. M. C.	55
11.	Dirt Diggers	50
12.	Crestline	34
13.	Rams	22
14.	Desert Phantoms	18
15.	Checkers	15
16.	Bushmasters	14
17.	Rough Riders	5
18.	View Finders	1

AMA DIST. 37 ULTRA-LIGHTWEIGHTS CLUB POINT STANDINGS AS OF MAY 11, 1969

1.	Lightweights	1195
2.	Powder Puff	326
3.	Prospectors	140
4.	Jackrabbits	114
5.	Rough Riders	82
6.	California Gophers	77
7.	Barstow	50
8.	O. C. M. C.	30
9.	Striped Crusaders	24
10.	Perris Valley	20
11.	High Siders	14
12.	Rams	8
13.	Scramblers	7
14.	Hilltoppers	6
15.	Stumpjumpers	6
16.	Desert Phantoms	0
17.	Dirt Diggers	0
18.	Viewfinders	0

MARYSVILLE-CRASH BASH
May 10, 1969

100 NOV.
Jerry Lee Willis
Randy Eddings
Jack Eddings
125cc
Ronald Skinner
Ken Snider
Ronald Toby
200cc
Gon Gentilli
Dave Minkler
Randell Dunn
Tom Legg Jr.
100-200 AM.
Ronnie Gonnella Bul
Don Simmons Bul
Jim Miller Hon
Larry Beaty –
250cc
Jan Van Westrop Yam
Don Willis Bul
Don Bills Kaw
Dale Phelan Mon
250 AM.
Jim Crenshaw Yam
Mike Woltkamp Kaw
Tom Christensen Yam
250 EX.
Joe Henry Yam
Cliff Acksland Suz
George Carter Yam
375
Paul Donaldson BSA
Jack Pine Hon
Elvon Hoskins Mon
Barry Cragun Hus
500 AM.
Kelly Hudson Mai
Richard Roberts –
Bill Burbank Tri
650cc
David Brant
John Borden
A.L. Coulter
650 AM.-EX.
Cliff Aksland Bul
Leland Barnes Tri
Gene Conant Tri
SIDE HACK
Bob Litlau/Ted Kinyon

PONDEROSA HARE SCRAMBLES (OFFICIAL)
By Jack Ross May 4, 1969
OPEN CLASS
B. Friant Hus
S. Holladay M-Z
A. Dever Hus
R. Ragdale H-D
W. Krug Hus
J. Kindsvogel Yam
L. Slatko Bul
F. Malis Bul
D. Pierce Yam
T. Widick Bul
TRAIL CLASS
W. Anderson Jr. Hod
C. Brooks Hod
M. Lee Hod
J. Sheeler Yam
J. Sumners Hod
J. Preiss Hod
D. Bell Bul
T. Ferris Hod
E. Dollins Hod
W. Pattison Hod

MARYSVILLE, CALIF. TT
May 17, 1969
By Dale McKinnon
(Sorry, no brands sent in)

100cc
Debbie Jackline
Randy Eddings
Jack Eddings
125cc
Vic Krill
John Sasman
250cc AM.
Ronnie Gonnella
Jim Crenshaw
John A. Fite
250cc EX.
Joe Henry
Cliff Acksland
Stan Anderson
Merril Beidlemann
SIDE HACKS
Ted Kinyon (driver)
Robert Zitlau
Wm. J. Bass (driver)
Wm. Bickerstaff
The Krill Brothers
350-500
Paul Donaldson
James Jacobson
650cc
#94
Mike Sarandria
John Borden
650cc AM.
Bill Burbank
Dennis Dickerson
650cc EX.
Cliff Acksland
Rodney Norgarrd
Jorgy Jorgensen

SIDEWINDERS SPORTSMAN TT
May 10, 1969
By J. Lacey
Portland, Ore.
100cc
B MAIN
George Jones Bri
A MAIN
Gary Kapus Kaw
Bruce Malvany Suz
Dennis Fromm Kaw
200cc
A MAIN
Mark Baker Kaw
Jim Nicholas Kaw
Bob Wright Bul
250cc
D MAIN
Jim Coultas Yam
C MAIN
Bob Ryder
B MAIN
Mike Gregg Bul
A MAIN
Chuck Joyner Kaw
Darrel Cotton Kaw
Mike Ellis Kaw
250 TROPHY DASH
Chuck Joyner Kaw
500cc
B MAIN
Mike Thompson Bul
A MAIN
Gary Kapus Kaw
John Donaca
Lowell Carrey Suz
500 TROPHY DASH
Gary Kapus Kaw
OPEN CLASS
TROPHY DASH
Bill Elder H-D
A MAIN
Bill Elder H-D
Duane Jordan Tri
Phil Austin Tri

ASCOT PARK
HALF-MILE
Gardena, Cal.
May 3, 1969
By Carol Sims

15-Lap EX. MAIN EVENT

Shorty Seabourne	BSA
Pat Gosch	Nor
Sammy Tanner	R-E
Paul Conserriere	H-D
Geezer Emick	BSA
Tim Harris	BSA
Tom Rockwood	Tri
Len Earl	H-D
Ron Kruseman	Tri*
Mel Lacher	H-D*

Time: 5:54.97 * Did Not Finish

10-Lap AM. MAIN EVENT

Keith Mashburn	Yam
Terry Donaher	Vel
Frank Gillespie	Tri
Stan Rogers	R-E
Don Dudek	Tri
Ron Spillman	Tri
Randy Smith	H-D
Wayne Hosaka	BSA

Time: 3:58.51

8-Lap NOV. MAIN EVENT

Freddie Edwards	Yam
Tod Sloan	Kaw
Don Emde	Suz
Rick Talbot	H-D
Mile Walz	Hon
Dick Catuto	Yam
N. Deligianis	Yam
Dino Millikan	Yam
Rick George	H-D
Dennis Palmgren	Yam*

Time: 3:16.25 * Did Not Finish

3-Lap EX. TROPHY DASH

Mel Lacher	H-D
Keith Mashburn	Yam
Sammy Tanner	R-E
Stan Hill	BSA

Time: 1:12.14

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ORANGE COUNTY
SPEEDWAY
Costa Mesa, Cal.
May 21, 1969
By Jim Vardeman

125 TT B MAIN

Rex McLeoad	Yam
John Hoffard	Suz
John Davidson	Kaw
Kevin Bush	Suz

125 TT A MAIN

Ray Vanderpool	Sac
Robbie Porcupile	Yam
Mike Dailey	–
Rick Isbell	Kaw

250 TT MAIN

Randy Ellis	Bul
Ray Vanderpool	Oss
Jim Chitwood	Yam
Kevin Bush	Oss

OPEN TT

Tom LaFortune	Tri
Ray Vanderpool	Tri
M.L. Hannon	Bul
S. Robertson	BSA

126 FLAT TRACK

Carl Byers	Hod
Scott Autrey	BVT
Kevin Stafford	Hod
Sal Peluso	Yam

250 FLAT TRACK

Stan Rogers	Kaw
Randy Ellis	Bul
Jim West	Bul
Tom Vardeman	Bul

OPEN F.T.

Tom LaFortune	Tri
Rany Ellis	Hon
Mike Royle	BSA

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1. Steve Nichols	412
2. Troy McKee	355
3. Doug Mason	266
4. Richard Sweaney	250
5. Gary Caldwell	241
6. Jay Lewis	240
7. Dale Hopkins	237
8. Linus Beall	188
9. Bob Frauenberger	156
10. Frank McDowell	149
11. Danny Hockie	140
12. Kirk Redding	112
13. Steve Herrera	106
14. Eulene Long	106
15. Jeff Sexton	104
16. Don Alfred	103
17. Ronald Powell	100
18. Keith Tennis	82
19. Robert A. Sanders	79
20. Bob Archer	77
21. Hondo V. Long	71
22. Thomas W. Farrell	70
23. Phil McDonald	70
24. Deborah Sanders	70
25. Richard C. Sanders	69
26. Dean L. Preston	58
27. Sheila B. Talbot	56
28. Scott Sivadge	56
29. Alvin Summers	55
30. James Harnisch	53
31. Larry Shaw	53
32. Mike Myers	54
33. Edward Steffen	54
34. Steve Hyder	51
35. Keith Miller	51
36. Mark Kruse	50
37. Morris Wright	50
38. Jim Doron	48
39. Kay Wright	47
40. Gary Scott	45
41. Steve Stricklin	45
42. Gary Anderson	44
43. Paul E. Taylor	43
44. William G. Barrett	42
45. Slade Long	42
46. Steve Tinsley	42
47. Jack Britton	40
48. Dick Carver	40
49. Rich C. Kouns	40
50. Greg Wickam	40
51. Sharon Wolf	40
52. Mark Bailey	39
53. Jim Gilchrist	39
54. Chuck Basney	38
55. Charles Summers	37
56. Hayward Mendenhall	35
57. Dan Willits	35
58. Larry Hammond	34
59. John Freis	31
60. Paul Lambert	31
61. Maureen Lee	31
62. Terence W. Ash	30
63. John Kavanaugh Jr.	29
64. Bruce Ogilvie	29
65. Tim Beason	27
66. Bill Hardin	27
67. Kirk McDowell	25
68. H. Jack Morgan	25
69. Karl Wilson	25
70. Ray Hernandez	24
71. Kurt Lewis	24
72. Diane Connolly	23
73. Steve Ducommun	23
74. Sandra Lambert	23
75. James M. Blunt	20
76. John B. Colombero	17
77. C. Glen Brunson	15
78. Kevin J. Bush	15
79. Bill Dobbs	15
80. Mary N. Harnisch	15
81. Kenneth Lee	15
82. Hank Scott	15
83. Andy Skeel	15
84. Patsy Herbst	14
85. Scott Hoffee	14
86. Craig Johnson	13
87. Richard Green	11
88. George Luther	10
89. Rick Parker	10
90. Joe P. Colombero	9
91. Gregory Cunningham	9
92. John B. Hagey	9
93. Don Harris	9
94. Dan Johnson	9
95. Tom Perry	9
96. Jones N. Felts	8
97. Bob Hidusky	8
98. Ted Judge	8
99. Rusty Kieserman	8
100. Janie R. Webster	8
101. Chris Carbonie	7
102. Jack Dannenberg	7
103. Walter Foster	7
104. Michael Edmonson	7
105. Jeff Imber	7
106. Kristen Nolen	7
107. Jim Parker	7
108. Timothy Shulze	7
109. Lonny Walter	7
110. Rickey Aguirre	6
111. John Ashton	6
112. Edward Barnes	6
113. Larry Briggs	6
114. John Gallarza	6
115. Steve Hoffee	6
116. Bob Wynn	6
117. Alan Aragon	5
118. Gary Booth	5
119. Richard Matthews	4
120. Bob Willits	4
121. L. C. Beall	3
122. John J. Hammonds	2
123. Art Lester	2
124. Karen Traw	2
125. Carol A. Archer	1

NAZARETH, PA. MILE
AMA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
May 17, 1969

1st AMATEUR: Time: 5:09.11

Robin Martin, Orchard Lake, Mich.	Tri
Albert Grande, Richmond, Va.	H-D
Marshall Becker, Wanamassa, N.J.	Tri
Edward Heckman, Emmaus, Pa.	Hon
Jack Texter, Millersville, Pa.	H-D

2nd AMATEUR: Time: 5:08.07

Don Castro, Hollister, Calif.	Tri
Bill Eves, Phoenixville, Pa.	BSA
James Alpert, Pleasantville, N.Y.	Tri
Tim Sussman, Bethlehem, Pa.	BSA
Donald Dillman, Victor, N.Y.	BSA

3rd AMATEUR: Time: 5:05.75

Dave Aldana, Santa Ana, Calif.	BSA-3
Royal Sherbet, Largo, Fla.	BSA-3
Charles Chapple, Flint, Mich.	H-D
Mike Sponseller, Phoenix, Md.	Tri
Terry Waite, Wellington, Ohio	Tri

1st EXPERT: Time: 5:41.56
Markel, C. Palmgren, Wirth, Baker, Sehl.
2nd EXPERT: Time: 5:40.54
E. Varnes, Mann, Lawwill, Haaby, Sholly.
3rd EXPERT: Time: 5:44.15
Nixon (Tri-3), Rice, Brelsford, L. Palmgren Garrett
4th EXPERT: Time: 5:41.77
Nix, Romero, Rayborn, Sehl, F. Varnes
EXPERT CONSOLATION: Time: 2:59.52
F. Varnes, Duhamel (BSA-3), Cunha, Sholly, Meyer.
AMATEUR FINAL (10 Laps)
Time: 7:15.80
Aldana, Martin, Eves, Grande, Becker, Sherbet, Sponseller, Heckman, Sussman.
EXPERT FINAL (50 Laps):
Time: 7:15.80
Aldana, Martin, Eves, Grande, Becker, Sherbet, Sponseller, Heckman, Sussman.
EXPERT FINAL (50 Laps):
Time: 35:06.95 Nix, Nixon, Romero, E. Varnes, C. Palmgren, Rayborn, Sehl, Sholly

L. Palmgren	49 laps
Lawwill	48 laps
Baker	46 laps
Haaby	43 laps
Duhamel	40 laps
Rice	39 laps
F. Varnes	38 laps
Mann	21 laps
Cunha	10 laps
Wirth	6 laps
Markel	4 laps
Brelsford	2 laps

AMA NATL POINTS GAIN AT NAZARETH

Nix	71	Baker	13
Nixon	61	Haaby	10
Romero	52	Duhamel	7
E. Varnes	44		
C. Palmgren	37		
Rayborn	31		
Sehl	26		
Sholly	22		
L. Palmgren	19		
Lawwill	16		
Rice	4	F. Varnes	1

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2. Willie Hockie Jr.	320
3. Bob Frauenberger	270
4. Eric C. Olesen	266
5. Loyal Penn	219
6. Doug Mason	217
7. Charles Gann	175
8. Vincent Graves	161
9. Edward Shinault	151
10. Gary Bailey	150
11. Dan Carlton	150
12. Bob Saunders	147
13. Danny Hockie	140
14. Charles Soderstrom Jr.	135
15. David Aldana	130
16. Kurt Lewis	122
17. Jim O'Neal	120
18. Roy Griffing	111
19. C. Glen Brunson	108
20. Rick Talbot	108
21. Steve Nichols	105
22. Jim McClurg	101
23. Michael Rendich	99
24. Pete Glines	95
25. Larry Bochkay	90
26. Ron Ringen	90
27. Larry Shoemaker	90
28. Tony Hochgesang	88
29. Don Cook	79
30. William Bartels	78
31. Keith Mashburn	75
32. Jack Holt	70
33. Eddie Mitchell	70
34. Louis Wolf	69
35. Fred Edwards	68
36. Bob Hardison	68
37. Glen Bolenbaugh	67
38. Bob Greenstreet	66
39. Gary R. Griffing Jr.	66
40. Ted Longwith	65
41. Dan Jones	63
42. Bob Archer	60
43. Bruce L. Kissack	58
44. Dan White	55
45. Karl Wilson	55
46. Larry Hardison	54
47. Jim Gilchrist	51
48. John Rice	51
49. Bruce Wing	51
50. Mark Blackwell	50
51. Bob Patten	50
52. Stan Rogers	48
53. Jim Howerton	46
54. Jim Arledge	44
55. Donald Kissack	41
56. Mark Bailey	40
57. Kirk McDowell	40
58. Ronald C. Moore	40
59. Brad Stankey	40
60. Lance Vallery	
61. Chet Burt	39
62. Bill Apann	39
63. Steve Pondexter	38
64. Walt Bird	35
65. Jeff Robin	34
66. Mickey Alzola	32
67. Steve Bast	31
68. Bob Allen	30
69. Lee Barnes	30
70. Craig Cove	30
71. Steve Rispin	30
72. Gary Scott	30
73. Richard O'Neal	29
74. Gary Shafer	29
75. Jim Doron	28
76. Rich C. Kouns	28
77. Randy Ellis	27
78. Billy V. Fulton	25
79. Don Harris	85
80. Hugh Long	25
81. Wayne Whisenant	25
82. Linus R. Beall	24
83. Brian Savage	23
84. John Sprague	23
85. Morris Wright	23
86. Ronald Lambert	22
87. Wayne McDaniel	22
88. Doug Sherman	22
89. David Douglas	21
90. Jon Lindeberg	21
91. Dean Preston	21
92. Doug Yerkes	21
93. Richard Toberoff	20
94. James R. West	20
95. Neil Winston	20
96. Francis Nestor	19
97. Bill Hardin	18
98. Bobby Hill	18
99. Mike Hagoski	17
100. Russell McGowen	17
101. Chris Ortega	17
102. Tom Vardeman	16
103. S. John Colombero	15
104. Terry Dorsch	15
105. Mike Hannon	15
106. Merl Holt	15
107. Dan Kegler	15
108. Ron Powell	15
109. Burnie Presho	15
110. Bob Speier	15
111. Kenneth L. Neal	14
112. Tom Rath	14
113. Charles Smith	14
114. Arnold Adkison	13
115. Thomas L. Howe	13
116. Clair Hurley	13
117. Cornwell, Jerry	12
118. Robert Williams Jr.	12
119. Richard Gann	11
120. Mike Bast	10

READING
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NATIONAL
Reading, Pa.
May 25, 1969
By Boyd Reynolds

EXPERTS

L. Palmgren	Tri
C. Palmgren	Tri
G. Nixon	Tri
B. Markel	H-D
D. Dovel	H-D
M. Lawwill	H-D
J. Rice	BSA
D. Sehl	Tri
Bob Scholl	Tri
C. Rayborn	H-D

AMATEURS

Dave Aldana	BSA
C. Chapple	H-D
J. Stokes	Tri
D. Dillman	BSA
M. Becker	Tri

SAUGUS
SPEEDWAY
May 23, 1969
By Mike Capalite

TROPHY DASH

Steve Bast	J-Eso
Rick Woods	J-Eso
Greg Haserot	J-Eso
L. Arnold	J-Eso
Mike Konle	J-Eso

C MAIN

N. Elledge	JAP
D. Guildenhaus	JAP
Harlan Bast	J-Eso
L. Arnold	J-Eso

B MAIN

Joe Chanky	J-Eso
S. Nutter	J-Eso
Mike Konle	J-Eso
Bill Cody	J-Eso

A MAIN

Steve Bast	J-Eso
L. Heinselman	J-Eso
Rick Woods	J-Eso
G. Haserot	J-Eso

WHITEMAN
SPEEDWAY
May 24, 1969

TROPHY DASH

Rick Woods	J-Eso
S. Nutter	J-Eso
L. Heinselman	J-Eso
Steve Bast	J-Eso

MATCH RACE

Steve Bast	J-Eso
S. Tanner	JAP

C MAIN

S. Tanner	JAP
J. Gresham	JAP
Ron Miller	J-Eso
J. Hateley	JAP

B MAIN

Stu Morley	JAP
G. Haserot	J-Eso
Mike Kone	J-Eso
J. O'Brien	J-Eso

A MAIN

Rick Woods	J-Eso
S. Nutter	J-Eso
Steve Bast	J-Eso
L. Heinselman	J-Eso

SADDLEBACK (from page 21)

2. Jim Wilson (Gre), 3. Rich Thorwaldson (Bul).

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350cc SPORTSMAN: 1. Robin Fisher (BSA), 2. John Wilson (Bul), 3. Richard Davis (Hon).

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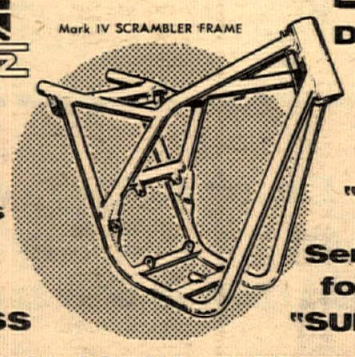
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Short Stroke

By Bill Blakeslee

Alec The Smart

Alec Issigonis has been retained by the new Norton-Villiers AJS people to head their engineering staff. Alex is the man responsible for the front-engine drive BMC mini cars. These clever and terrific selling cars also featured a novel hydraulic connection between front and rear wheels, the same feature that Ossa once tried on their G.P. machines.

He is, of course, expected to pull off the same sort of triumph for the N-V concern. Whether or not he does, AJS-Norton continue to make news. The "Whyfor" (Y4) scrambler seen at the recent Cycle World show will be called the Y40 for us colonials. Also we are to get a half million dollars worth of them in the States.

Dirty Guy Wade?

In England they think Bryan Wade put on a good show and made a lot of friends here. Whatever friends and fans he does have here may miss him in this summer's international series.

Looks like he is in the middle of a "on again, off again" power play of the leaders of our sport. Latest word is that Wade cannot ride the Inter-Am series.

Seems Wade offended someone when he rode at Hopetown last year with the Rickmans instead of at Dallas with the other internationals. At the next event, Westlake Park, he was out for Saturday's event but back in again for Sunday's race. About a month ago the head of Inter-Am went on record as saying Wade would not ride here again. Period.

Now we learn that MICUS has obediently followed suit. Enough arguments have been offered, pro and con, since it started to equip a small war. California usually doesn't bother with much politics. Nearly anybody can ride with anybody else anywhere. If this is now to change, the big losers will be the riders and the fans. Tune in for act two, scene three...or drop out early and avoid the rush.

Letter From Japan

Have a letter in hand from Bruce Pauley, an American stationed in Japan. He has been waiting for the snow to melt so the racing season can begin. In the third race he broke his leg so now he has plenty of time to write.

For all you ex-GI's, it seems the center of racing is around Sapporo (puts a lump in your throat doesn't it?). One course at Atsubetsu was described as being very fast despite steep hills – so steep that you rode the walls. One downhill had a duck pond at the bottom on the outside of the turn (complete with ducks, a la Ascot). Wind and dust were so strong that even the spectators had to wear goggles!

Bruce reports that the Japanese riders are going quite well, so good that the best he has got was a second. At least one team of riders are sponsored by Yamaha (125cc). Racing must have a good start as there are about 18 events more in the season. Pretty good for a new sport like motocross is in Japan.

Garners Scottish Six Day

For sixty years there has been a six day trials, and for fifteen years a Greeves has not won. It's been three years since a British machine of any kind has won. This is what a once English-dominated sport has developed into.

Greeves' have changed this now with an outright win by Bill Wilkinson. This would seem to put Greeves right at the top in trials but oddly enough this win comes when they don't even market a trials machine. Wilkinson was on his own against strong factory opposition.

The British win proved to be a limited success, for the next thirteen places were all filled by Spanish machines except for a modified Suzuki and two part-British machines (Cotton-Minarelli and Sprite-Sachs). In fact the team prize went to Montesa, with their new Cota models.

Sammy Miller was after his sixth win, and nearly made it but blew his lead near the end. Mick Andrews, another U.S. visitor, finished third making it a Greeves, Ossa, Bultaco, Montesa and Gaunt/Suzuki finishing order.

One American was entered and he finished with a first class award, V.A. Boocock on a Bultaco.

The Scottish Six Day Trials must be the epitome to the really knowledgeable people in motorcycles. It is 682 miles of the toughest terrain on man and machine ever devised, including the ISDT.

Desert Phantoms TT Runs Despite Rumors

ADELANTO, CAL., May 25 – Rumor that the Desert Phantoms TT Scrambles at Adelanto Raceway had been cancelled kept entries for the day to only 125 riders. It should have been at least double that.

50cc nove Jeff Sexton (Honda) was put in with the 100cc novices. Given a lead of about a quarter of a lap, he ended up taking first overall in the event. All classes were run in motos due to the low entries. Terry Ash (Hodaka) took second overall in the same class.

In the 100cc Am/Ex. go, Jay Lewis on his 50cc Yamaha got the quarter lap handicap, but Doug Mason (Kawasaki) and Richard Sweaney (Kawasaki) always got by on that last lap ending with Mason first overall, Sweaney second and Lewis third spot man.

The 125-175-200 Nov/Am/Ex. class combined efforts showing close competition in all three motos. Don Kissack (Kawasaki) and Tom Culp (Bultaco) put on their boots and decided to do some walking down the track. Art Carter Jr. (Bultaco) walked close behind ending up with Kissacks 175cc taking first overall.

The 250 Novice motos stayed safe and sane, still putting on a good show, Ed Mitchell (Yamaha) pulled through for a fast first.

The 250 Am/Ex. class was small, but fast. Terry Dorsch (Triumph) had no trouble taking the checkered in all three motos.

The heavyweights barely had enough entries to make up a class in anything. Glen Brunson (Bultaco) and Jim Connolly (Greeves) tore to it in the 350 Am/500 Am/Ex. class. With Connolly getting a DNF in the first moto, it took some hard riding to make up those lost points. Seeing the door open on the second moto, he took advantage and come over for the flag, but Brunson did the same thing on the last moto putting him in the winner's spot.

The 500 Nov and 650 Novice class combined consisted of four entries. Ralph Porzelt (BSA) virtually had the track to himself in the last moto, taking an easy win overall.

The 650 Am/Ex. class was a race of a different color. Terry Morairty (Triumph) and Terry Dorsch (Triumph) played cat and mouse with Tom La Fortune (Triumph) ringing his bell too. They finished in that order. The next Desert Phantoms event will be held in July at which time the trophies for this event can be picked up. Watch the paper for the exact date.

RESULTS

100cc Nove: 1. Jeff Sexton – (Hon), 2. Terry Ash – (Hod), 3. John Sperry – (Yam), 4. Bob Sanders – (Yam), 5. Dan Ney – (Hod), 6. Tim Beason – (Bri), 7. Mike Thomas – (M-B), 8. Steve Ducommun – (Bul), 9. Steve Tinsley – (Yam).

100cc Am/Ex: 1. Doug Mason – (Kaw), 2. Richard Sweaney – (Kaw), 3. Jay Lewis – (Yam), 4. Dale Hopkins – (Suz), 5. Ted Judge – (Bul), 6. Dave Sprayberry – (Kaw) 7. Phil Koreis – (Bul), 8. Kirk Redding (Bri), 9. Diane Connolly – (Hod).

250 Novice: 1. Ed Mitchell – (Yam), 2. Mike Hannon – (Bul), 3. Larry Bochkay – (Yam), 4. Tom White – (Yam), 5. Gary Shafter – (Bul), 6. Hugh Long – (Bul), 7. Tom Kemmen – (Bul), 8. Frank Eggers – (Yam), 9. Bill Hardin – (Suz); 10. Chet But – (Bul), 11. John Searock – (Bul) 12. Jeff Robin – (Yam).

250 Am/Ex: 1. Terry Dorsch – (Tri), 2. Ron Ringen – (Kaw), 3. Doug Mason – (Yam), 4. Jim Connolly – (Oss), 5. Karl Wilson – (Bul), 6. Vince Graves – (Suz), 7. Glen Brunson – (Bul), 8. Fran Nestor – (Bul).

350 Am/500 Am/Ex: 1. Glen Brunson – (Bul), 2. Jim Connolly – (Gre), 3. Gary Herwick – (Bul), 4. Dwight Harlow – (BSA), 5. Don Burch – (Bul), 6. Bob Baker – (BSA), 7. Woody Schamel – (Hon).

500 Novice & 650 Novice: 1. Ralph Porzelt – (BSA), 2. Gary McKeon – (Tri), 3. Art Amarillas – (Tri), 4. Ron Croteau – (BSA).

650 Am/Ex: 1. Terry Morairty – (Tri), 2. Terry Dorsch – (Tri), 3. Tom La Fortune – (Tri), 4. Jim Maupin – (Tri), 5. Ron Bonner – (Tri), 6. Mike Boal – (Tri), 7. Bob Potts – (Tri), 8. Ike Mizen – (Tri).

125-175-200 Nov/Am/Ex: 1. Don Kissack (Kaw), 2. Tom Cul (Bul), 3. Art Carter Jr. (Bul), 4. Wayne McDaniel, 5. Bill Dean (Bul), 6. Don Cook (Bul), 7. Curt Stine (Yam), 8. Don Alfred (Hon), 9. Rich Brown (Bul), 10. Art Carter Sr. (Bul).

Full House At H.B.

HUNTINGTON BEACH, May 25th – A full-house turnout at the park with the sea-breeze, opened with entries from as far as San Marino, Reno and Las Vegas.

Trophy-girl-of-the-day chose four lucky riders to be winners of 3 dinners at Sir George's Smogorsbord near the Park in downtown Huntington Beach and a one year's subscription to Cycle News which made Gene Lester's trip from Reno especially worthwhile. Two dinners also was awarded to Jim Peterson winning the trophy dash out of the four fastest times for the day.

RESULTS:

100cc MAIN: 1. Gary Wells (Bri), 2. Peter Haas (Suz), 3. Steve Hyder (Hod).

125cc MOTOS: 1. Mike Payse (Bul), 2. David Boydstrum (Yam), 3. Dennis Chandler (Yam).

175cc MOTOS: 1. Gary Wells (Bri), 2. John Cornett (Oss), 3. Chris Ortega (Hon).

250cc NOV. MAIN: 1. Carrol Heiland (Oss), 2. Dick Wallace (Kaw), 3. Les Briely (Gre).

250cc AM/EX. MOTOS: 1. Jim Peterson (Kaw), 2. Dan Carlton (Oss), 3. Tony Hochgesang (Bul).

350cc MOTOS: 1. Lance Vallery (Bul), 2. Dean Butterfield (Yam), 3. Dick Wallace (Kaw).

500-650cc NOV. MOTOS: 1. Allen Reed (Mai), 2. Mike Chamberlain (Tri), 3. Del Colby (BSA-Vic).

500-650cc AM/EX. MOTOS: 1. Jim Peterson (Tri), 2. Cary Patrick (Tri), 3. Mike Chamberlain (Tri).

SCRAMBLIN AROUND

By Maureen Lee

We had a nice letter from Russ Darnell this week and we're sure that you, like us, have enjoyed reading about his experiences in Europe, and he's doing well for himself, too. By the time he comes home, along with "Ron-John" Carlsbad and Saddleback are going to look like road races to 'em!

We had our giggles this week, but before we tell the story we'll say one thing, we fight like heck at times with the AMA but until a better system comes along we all have to stick with them and endeavor to change things we don't like and in the past year or so, changes are being made. But back to our story, if you look at a copy of Modern Cycle's June issue, you'll see two pictures of Gary Nixon, National Number One riding a sporting scrambles right in front of God and everyone (including the AMA) and to the AMA that is a double no-no. We all know what happened when Dick Mann and John Penton ran afoul of the same type of rule i.e. you can't ride non-AMA sanctioned events and Experts can't ride AMA sporting events. So Bugsy and John got suspended. What will happen now with Gary? Hmmmmm!

We promised we'd report on the results of the special scrambles meeting so here are some of the ideas that will be brought up before the Competition Committee for discussion and maybe put into law.

Classes will rotate weekly. Instead of having tiddlers and lightweights first, every other week the big boys will go first. Of course, when you think back the big bores have always had to wait around until the lightweights got through so we could let them run first for at least three years and still not pay them back for all the hours of waiting they've put in! Then some classes may have to be combined, such as 125's starting on one row, then 175's and 200's also lined up separately. This could bring up scoring problems so there'll be considerable discussion on this. Also, the professionals will be invited out to ride even if they all sign up so George Washington and none of us know from nuttin' as to who is who.

Personally, I think all these ideas are worth considering and I'll even throw my two cents in. Although it would affect me along with loads of others, there's another way out and if it would benefit the sport and tighten up scrambles a bit, I'd go for it. How about limiting things to three classes? 0-125, 126-250, and Open? Before the shrieks get too loud we'll point this out. In this day and age of the two-strokes a lot of them can give much larger machines a whale of a go. Look what John Rice on a 125 Sachs did to the Open boys at Saddleback! Most of the competitive 250's are capable of keeping up with and beating the older more conventional 500's, and the new 360's are as fast as Triumphs while on the track. A thirty-mile-an-hour corner is a thirty-mile-an-hour corner regardless of what you're riding! All the power in the world isn't going to get you around faster unless you risk doing an upsy-daisy and none of our current tracks are as fast as Prado Park was.

The suggestion has also been made that sign-in time be limited. We've seen a couple of clubs do this and it works. Once the sign-in deadline is over, that's it. If you slept late or thought you'd goof around while they ran the earlier class off before you showed at the track, you'd have had it. This stops the mass charge to the sign-up booth when the heat board people have already put in considerable time making up the boards only to find that fifteen guys signed up in a class they'd posted as a moto for lack of entries previously. And if you don't think this is a problem, just ask someone who has done the job on heatboards!

We're sorry that Desert Phantoms had to cancel out but most of that big club is in the Air Force, and they got their marching (flying?) orders. They are a relatively new club in the District but they've worked hard and shown up a few other clubs by throwing well-run events. Hurry back, chaps! We've got few enough point runs as it is!

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Smoke rises as rubber touches leather. Terry Donaher leads Keith Mashburn but Keith is really pushing.

ASCOT
Shorty Swoops 'Em

Shorty Seaborne's first Main event win in two years wasn't assured until the checkered flag fell as Pat Gosch and Sammy Tanner threatened all the way.

By Carol Sims — Photos by Dan Mahony

GARDENA, Cal., May 23 – For the first time in two years, Shorty Seabourne won the Friday night Expert Main Event at Ascot Park – and he came from the back row to do it. Riding Dick Kelm's 500cc BSA, the diminutive throttle twister became the 5th rider in 8 weeks to grab the elusive gold, but it wasn't without a fight.

Pat Gosch (750cc Norton) leaped into an early lead, only to be overtaken by Harley-mounted Paul Conserriere poured it on, holding the advantage for 5 laps until Shorty edged by. Point leader Sammy Tanner, winner of the Expert semi on Shell Thuet's 500cc Royal Enfield, moved up to 4th from row two, and the race developed into an exciting four-way go.

Coming out of the first turn on lap 6, Conserriere's bike bucked in frightening manner, almost high-siding him, but he recovered and continued. Gosch got by Paul two laps later and Tanner did too, on the next time around. Then both Pat and Sam proceeded to whittle away at the 6-length lead Seabourne had built up.

By the 10th circuit, Gosch was challenging strongly, right on Shorty's rear wheel, and Tanner closed in on lap 13. Not until the checkered flag did Seabourne have it in the bag.

Mel Lacher, Trophy Dash winner, suffered problems with his Harley, dropping out of the final on lap 2, as did Ron Kruseman.

Seabourne was exuberant about his conquest. "It felt good!" he enthused. "It's been a long time. Guess the old BSA isn't dead yet."

Gosch, taking his first ride on the 750cc Norton, wasn't quite as pleased with the outcome, but remarked with a smile, "I'm getting closer anyway." And he certainly is...especially considering that he had ripped off both throwaway shields by mistake and was having trouble seeing where he was going.

The Amateurs were rompin' and stompin'. Not one, but two yellow-plate wailers made the Expert Trophy Dash this time out. Keith Mashburn, last week's pole sitter on the 350cc Yamaha, again set fast time of the night (23.12) and 8th ranked Stan Hill (650cc BSA) was second quickest overall. Lacher had the swiftest Expert time – 23.27 – with Tanner next.

The fastest four put on a thrilling 3-lapper that saw Lacher lead the first lap, Tanner the second. But in the final turn Sam went a little wide, giving both Lacher and Mashburn the opportunity they needed to swoop ahead. Hill was a close 4th, looking good. Still, he hadn't qualifed for the Amateur Main.

Amateur point leader Terry Donaher (500cc Velo) laid a 9-in-a-row win streak on the line at the start of the 10-lap final. He and Mashburn finally had a chance to fight it out, and what a trip it was! Keith led the first 3 laps, even building up a 3-length lead at times. Then Terry closed the gap, nosing underneath to take over first place on lap 5. But Mashburn got him back 2 laps later, using the same low groove tactics to do it. And there he stayed for the reamining 3 go-arounds – despite all Donaher's determined efforts – to score his first Main Event win at Ascot, and also the first win for a 350cc machine on the Gardena half-mile.

Last week's Novice winner Freddie Edwards (Yamaha) once more swept the boards in green-plate competition, taking both of his preliminary events and winding up with another Main Event victory. But the surprise rider of the night was Central California's Tod Sloan, aboard Bill Bastian's Kawasaki. After giving point leader Don Emde (Suzuki) a bad time in their heat, he proceeded to lead the 8-lap final for five laps before Edwards managed to pass him.

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Woods 'Feet up' At Whiteman

(Results on page 16)

The name of the game is balance and slide, slide, slide. Rick Woods took the Trophy Dash and the A Main at Whiteman Stadium with relaxed, feet-up slides like this.

PACOIMA, CAL., May 24, 1969 – Rick Woods was hot at Whiteman Stadium Saturday night, taking the trophy dash and the A main.

Woods was almost the only survivor of the trophy dash. Tempers flared and clutches burned as false start after false start brought the racers back to the starting line. Seven starts were required to get the race off, and the machines had to be wheeled back to the pits once to refuel before the puzzled fans could see a race.

This event was doomed from the start. Bast and Heinselman went down in the back straight. Steve recovered from his grogginess to take second place in the A main, but Larry was removed from the track with a broken collarbone.

Bast won the special match race with Sammy Tanner. Tanner slid on the high side throughout a close race but couldn't quite get by the grooving Bast.

Eddie Mulder's daughter presented cash awards to the two winners of the bicycle wheelie contest and received a grudging kiss in return.

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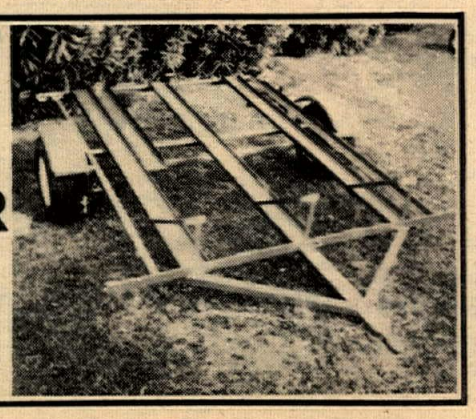

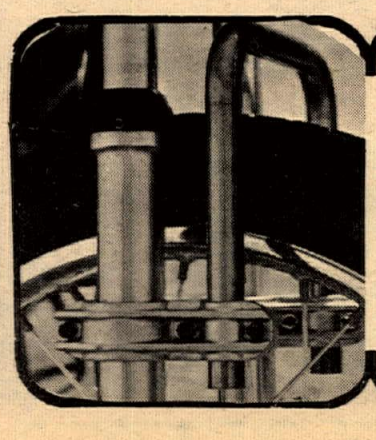

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Wilson And Minert Wail

By Maureen Lee

IRVINE, CALIF., May 25 – Jim Wilson (Greeves) and Chuck Minert (BSA) were the two big winners of the ACA Saddleback motocross. After two accidents took place on the identical spot, the blade was taken over to reduce the bump, making some riders unhappy. "This is a motocross isn't it?" one asked, "Not a TT scrambles!"

Events provided some wild action. In the 250 Senior, Jim Wilson shot out in front, showing a clean pair of heels to his opposition. Behind it was Gary Bailey (Greeves) and Kiyomaru Kato (Yamaha) exchanging places with Bailey having a difficult time due to his injured hand. Would you believe he whacked it on a pole again? He did.

Kato passed Wilson in a manner that was completely out of shape to say the least, almost nailing Wilson into the fence. Wilson chased him up the Tower Hill and gave back as good as he got before the steep downhill and eventually pulled away. Behind it was Walt Axthelm (CZ) and Tim Hart (Montesa) whdd had brake problems earlier settling the remaining spots, with Gary Bailey trailing. Around they came again, Bailey in second, followed by Kato and Axthelm. After the moto Wilson said about Kato. "He sure does liven up the course."

Tom Rapp might have won the 125 senior but was disqualified for riding on the course while another race was in progress. Gary Bailey won the class on his Penton.

Don Emler on a super-fast little Suzuki was the winner of the 100 Sportsman, having plenty of power to pull the little bike up the long hills.

A huge Martini and Rossi banner decorated the course, bringing some European flavor to the scene. The first 250 Jr. moto was stopped after the pile-up and it was Greg Schweers on a Bultaco who came up with the most points at the end of the second.

Maico was Jesse Goldberg's choice of mount for the day and he demolished the 500 Sportsmen on it. Considered by some to be an "old timer," he goes like an 18-year-old on the track. Richard Davis, on what's called a "street scrambler", rode his motos very smoothly to 3rd place 350 and then was seen riding his machine home from the Park. Shades of the "good ole days," eh what?

Chuck Minter (BSA) lived up to his reputation as King of Saddleback wrapping up the 500 Seniors with Jim Wilson giving him a serious challenge only in the second moto.

RESULTS:

100cc SPORTSMAN: 1. Don Emler (Suz), 2. Bryar Holcomb (Hod), 3. Robt. Goldberg (Hod).

125cc SPORTSMAN: 1. Bruce Baron (Sac), 2. Steve Goldberg (Pen), 3. Jim O'Neal (Bul).

125cc SENIOR: 1. Gary Bailey (Pen), 2. Mike Runyard (Sac), 3. Jeff Creager (Yam).

250cc SENIOR: 1. Jim Wilson (Gre), 2. Kiyomaru Kato (Yam), 3. Walt Axthelm (CZ).

500cc SENIOR: 1. Chuck Minert (BSA).

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Ring Steals Southbay TT Show

By Bill Harmer

CHULA VISTA, CALIF. May 25 – Before a record crowd of 1600 fans, Ward Ring, riding the Jon Knapp tuned Lucky Yamaha DT-1 took the lion's share of honors as he posted an easy win in 250cc Expert class over his team mate Carl Byers. Then he returned in the Sweepstakes handicap and turned back the open Expert winner, Don Matthews to cap that event also.

Carl Byers captured second in the 250cc Expert division and skitted across the finish of the Sweepstakes event a split-second third.

Don Matthews, riding the hot Mike Garret tuned Norton, played it cool in the heat race and finished just good enough to transfer but in the main he poured on the coal and gave favored Triumph rider Myron Carter a decisive shellacking.

Yamaha mounted Sal Peluso outran the rest of the 100cc novice field so bad that he appeared to be in a different race and will surely be graduated to the Experts soon.

Carol Chiara brought her little Hodaka home first against an extra large Powderpuff class, with Shirley Newsome following closely. Lori Fuller showed great improvement by winning the final moto and enough points to capture third in the event.

RESULTS:

Powder Puff Moto: 1. Carol Chiara (Hod), 2. Shirley Newsome (Hod), 3. Lori Fuller (Kaw), 4. Sandy Ocheltree (Hod).

100cc Novice: 1. Sal Peluso (Yam), 2. Jim Brockman (Suz), 3. Frank Seik (Hod), 4. Del Ocheltree (Hod).

100cc Ex. Moto: 1. Carl Byers (Hod), 2. Kevin Stafford (Hod), 3. Jim McGuire (Hod).

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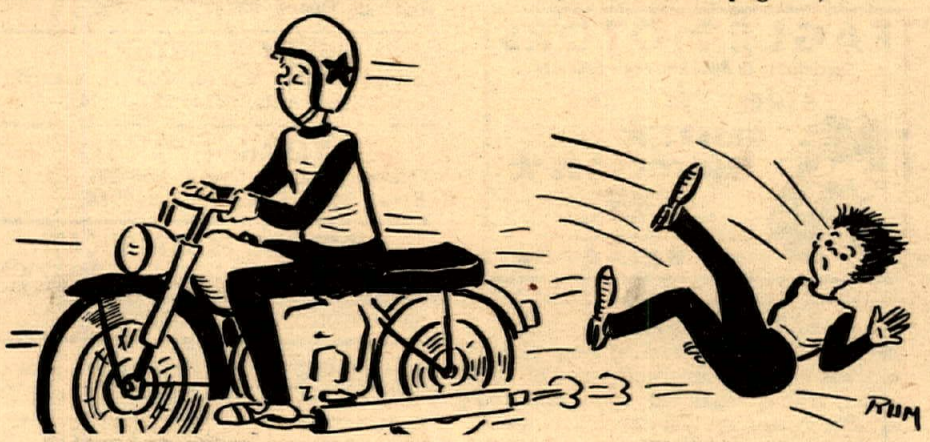

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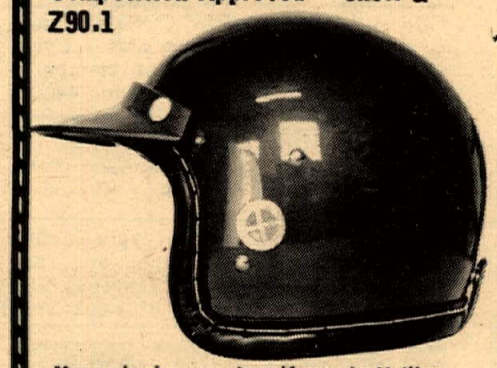

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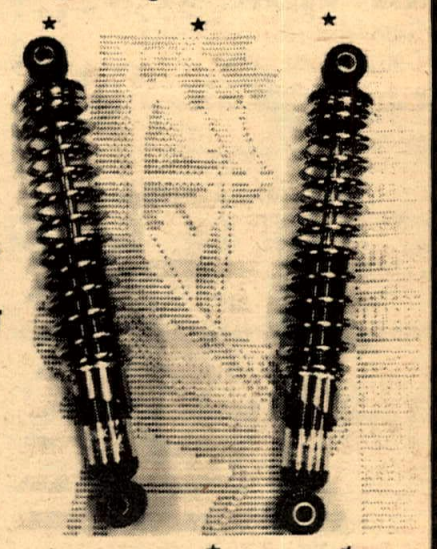

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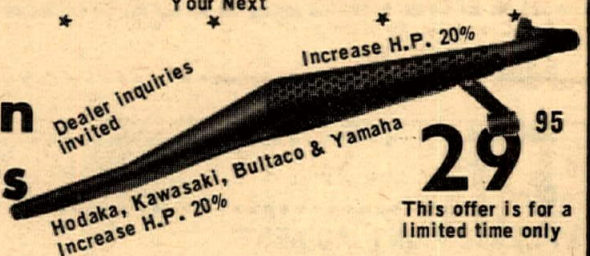

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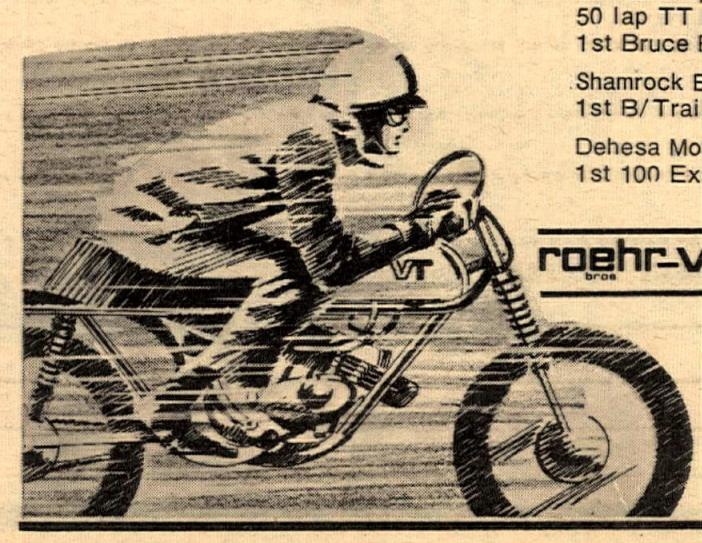

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1st Feets Minert
Victor Special
441cc

BSA
Rocket 3
Wins
Amateur National
1st
Dave Aldana

Beaumont Motocross
500 Expert Class
1st Gary Jones
Victor Special
441cc

When the going gets tough...the Victors get going